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## "LIKE A CROSSWORD PUZZLE"

### DISCUSSION OF VITAL QUESTIONS ONLY BEGINNING

### MASS OF FIGURES

### CONFERENCE TO LAST UNTIL MIDDLE OF MARCH

London, Yesterday.

At a two hours' meeting this morning the British, French and American experts discussed the figures based mainly on the French Memorandum. No plenary meeting has yet been arranged, and it is pointed out that the mass of figures from British, French, American and Japanese sources must be sorted out.

One well-informed delegate described the position as being "something like a crossword puzzle." The favourite guess for the duration of the conference now is to the middle of March.

M. Tardieu and M. Briand left for Paris this morning. The former, intervened by Reuter, emphasised that there was no need to hurry, as discussion on the vital question of figures was only beginning.—Reuter.

### THE MAIN TASK BEGUN

Rugby, Yesterday.

The London Naval Conference is now closely engaged on its main task—that of determining the tonnage figures to be allotted to the different Powers in the various categories of ships—for which a skeleton table has been prepared by the experts, working under the direction of the First Committee of the Conference.

There have been important contributions to the consideration of the problem of supplying these figures in the Memorandum published within the past eight days by the American, British, French and Japanese delegations, and these statements have been undergoing a close scrutiny this week by the delegates. It is recognised that when agreement has been reached regarding these figures the work of the conference will be practically over, for on other outstanding matters, good progress is being made.

The French memorandum which was applied to various delegations yesterday was the main basis of a long discussion day-to-day between the principal British, American and French delegates. Mr. Ramsay MacDonald was accompanied by the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Arthur Henderson, and the First Lord of the Admiralty, Mr. A. V. Alexander, and others present were the United States' Secretary of State, Mr. A. L. Stimson, Senators Robinson and M. Tardieu and the French Foreign Minister, M. Briand. The discussion was a continuation of the conversations begun on Wednesday and resumed yesterday, and the general position which the conference had reached on the questions arising out of the production of the tonnage figures and classification was reviewed. The discussions will be taken up again early next week.

### Good Progress

Meanwhile, the experts to-day continued to explore the question of ships which it is proposed should be exempt from limitation. It is understood that it has practically been decided to adopt with some small alterations the categories of exempt classes provisionally agreed upon at the Geneva Conference in 1927. The experts then proceeded to discuss the position regarding special vessels such, for example, as patrol boats and seaplane carriers, which, like aircraft carriers, are not equipped for vessels landing or taking off from their decks, hulls used for training ships, and monitors mounting heavy guns. It is probable that the examination of the position of this special class of vessels will occupy some considerable time.

No important developments in connection with the Naval Conference are expected during the week-end. The Prime Minister left this afternoon for Chequers. M. Tardieu and M. Briand have returned to Paris. Mr. Stimson will spend the week-end in the country, and the Italian delegate, Signor Grandi, has gone to Brighton.

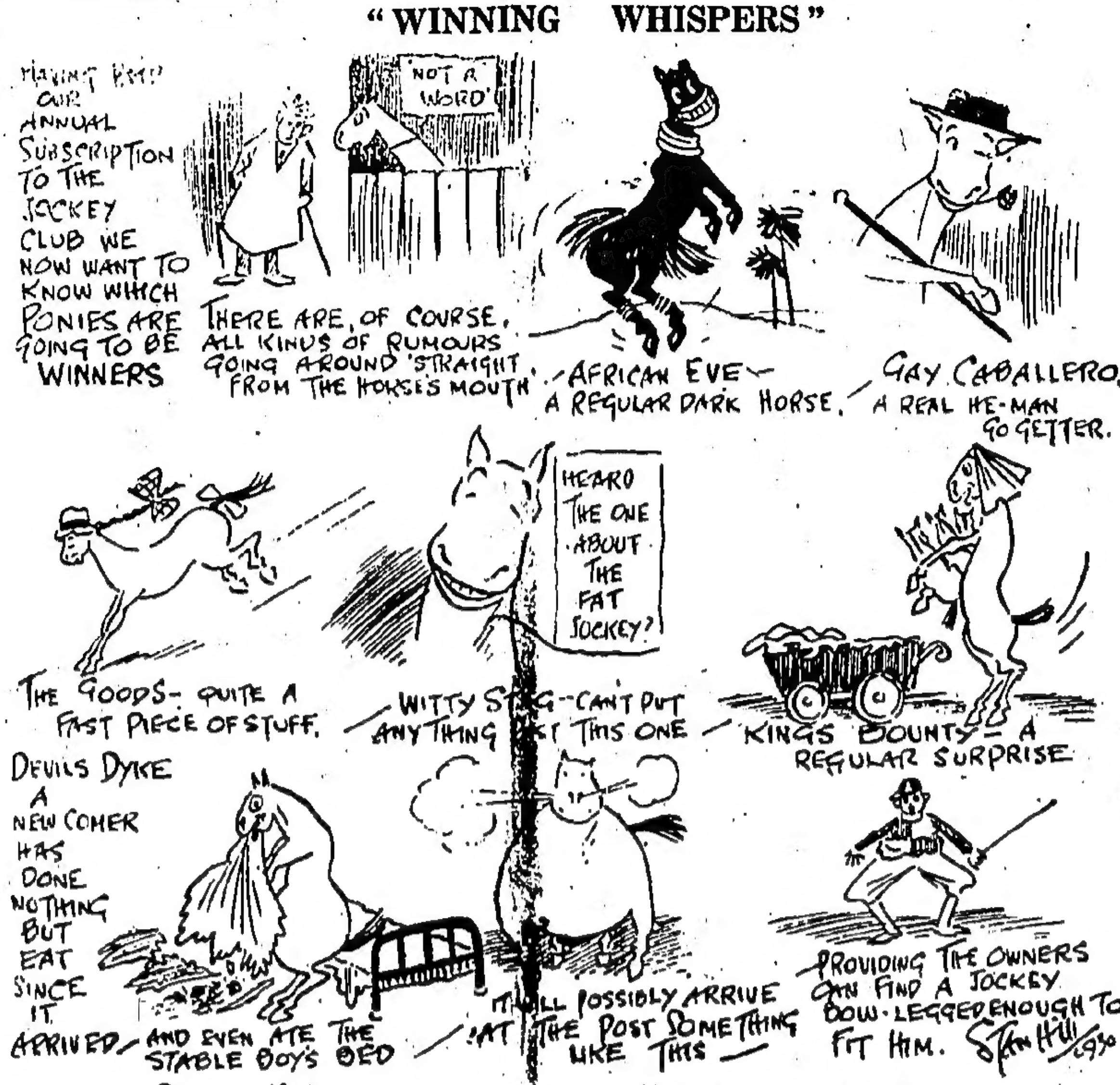
### Exempt Ships

With the appearance of the Memorandum issued last night some hours after that from the Japanese, four out of the five Powers at the Naval Conference have made statements of their naval requirements.

The French Memorandum gives the present French naval tonnage at 631,800 tons, which is less by 457,000 tons than the American and other delegations on Wednesday offered two alternatives to the tonnage proposals for the Japanese and American navies only. It is explained that since Britain and America have agreed to the principle of parity, the Japanese consider themselves justified in making the American meet the standard on which to measure Japan's requirements.

### Tonnes of French

The Memorandum suggests that the Japanese would accept the American and other delegations' proposal of 147,000 tons, and the American



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### FOREIGNER FOUND DEAD

### DISCOVERY IN THE KOWLOON HOTEL

#### STRANGER TO COLONY?

The body of a European, believed to be a Norwegian, named H. Nyhus (40), was removed by the Police to the Kowloon mortuary early this morning.

The unfortunate man was found dead at 2.15 a.m., sitting in a chair in the billiard room at the Kowloon Hotel.

Dr. J. E. Dovey examined the body later in the morning and was of opinion that death was due to natural causes.

The *China Mail* upon further enquiry, learns that Mr. Nyhus was found in a chair by hotel boys who were cleaning the place. The corner he was found in it may be noted, is a rather inconspicuous one.

This is the first mention in connection with the Conference of the new German *Ersatz Preussen*, the so-called "pocket battleship."

The French statement is generally interpreted as meaning that France will not agree to any reduction unless she is guaranteed "security," otherwise "a Mediterranean Locarno."

The Japanese statement is notable for the fact that it does not give definite figures, but does not press a demand for 70 per cent. of the ratio with America.

Both Memoranda are regarded as opening a way for negotiation with a real possibility of agreement, at least in the reduction of capital ships.

Longkey, Florida, Yesterday.

Owing to the developments of the Naval Conference, President Hoover is shortening his fishing holiday and returns to Washington on Saturday, instead of Monday.

Official despatches dealing with the Presidential yacht.

From the President's action the opinion is held that the Conference has reached a point at which the actual negotiations can begin. It is learned that the Japanese proposals are even more helpful than was anticipated.

Tokyo, Yesterday.

Although officials have not yet had time to study M. Tardieu's statement, the first reaction caused thereby is understood to be the fact that another Power is demanding tonnages so differing from those of the Washington Treaty, that it is considered to strengthen Japan's claim for seventy per cent.

Japan's Proposals

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### COUNCIL MEMBERS

#### Changes in Precedence Gazette

Additional instructions passed under the Royal Sign Manual and Signet to the Governor and Commander-in-Chief of the Colony of Hong Kong in regard to the precedence of members of the Legislative Council are contained in the current issue of the Government Gazette which read:

(1) First, the Official Members in the following order:

(a) The ex officio Members in the order in which their offices are mentioned (except that the Senior Military Officer, if below the rank of Lieutenant-Colonel) in

#### FINE TO CLOUDY?

To-day's weather report issued at 10.57 a.m. by the Royal Observatory states:

The anti-cyclone has strengthened and now appears to be central over the Upper Yangtze Valley.

Strong monsoon along the S.E. coast of China, and fresh monsoons over the China Sea.

Local forecast:—N. winds, fresh, fine to cloudy.

### STEAMER IN COLLISION.

Rugby, Yesterday.

There was a dense fog in the Channel throughout last night and this morning.

Last night an American steamer collided with the South Goodwin lightship damaging her above the waterline, but she will remain at her station.—Reuter.

Lord and Lady Bledisloe left London to-day for New Zealand, where Lord Bledisloe will take up his duties as Governor-General—British Wireless Service.

### RUSSO-ASIAN BANK

A supplementary dividend is to be declared in connection with the winding up of the Russo-Asiatic Bank in 1926. Creditors are requested to send their names and addresses together with particulars of their debts or claims to the Official Receiver before April 15.

Submarines 82,000 tons; Japan 126,000 tons, 100,000 tons, 105,000 tons, 76,000 tons.

Under this proposal Japan will attain the proposed larger cruiser standard by adding twelve, totaling 108,400 tons, and will retain her present submarine strength. The alternative proposal is: America 160,000, 165,000, 150,000, and 92,000 tons; Japan 108,000 tons, 100,000, 95,000 tons, 80,000 tons.

### AMALGAMATION OF THE COAL MINES

#### COMMISSIONER TO PREPARE COMPULSORY SCHEMES

RUIN EFFICIENCY?

Rugby, Yesterday. The clause relating to the appointment of commissioners who, failing voluntary amalgamations of the collieries, would have the power to prepare compulsory schemes for such amalgamations, was carried in the House of Commons by 281 votes to 182. The adoption of the clause was opposed by Conservatives, the former President of the Board of Trade, Sir Cunliffe Lister, declaring that if amalgamations paid they would be made voluntarily, whereas as the swamping of good collieries with debts of bad ones would ruin efficiency.

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The Show will be opened to the Public between the hours of 3 p.m. and 7 p.m.

## ADMISSION \$1.

There will be an Orchestra in attendance.

Prizes will be distributed by Mrs. Southorn at 6 p.m.

The Entries for the Flower Show will close at Noon on Wednesday, February 26, in the Secretaries' Office, c/o Bradley & Co., Ltd.

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THE TWENTY FIFTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held in the Offices of Messrs. Dowdall & Company, Limited, on MONDAY, the 10th March, 1930, at 11 a.m., for the purpose of receiving the report of the General Managers together with a Statement of Accounts to 31 December, 1929.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 1st March to 10th March, 1930, both dates inclusive.

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Superintendent

Hong Kong, February 12, 1930.

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S. LACK,  
Superintendent

Hong Kong, February 8, 1930.

## NOTICES.

**HONG KONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS in this Corporation will be held at City Hall, Hong Kong, on SATURDAY, the 22nd February, 1930, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Board of Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1929.

The Register of Shares of the Corporation will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 10th February, to Saturday, the 22nd February, 1930 (both days inclusive), during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

A. C. HYNES,  
Chief Manager,  
Hong Kong, 3rd February, 1930.

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22nd, 24th, 25th, 26th February and 1st March, 1930.

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MEMBERS' BADGES & ENCLOSURE.

Members' Badges may be obtained by those members who have not already received them on application to the Secretary.

Such Badges will also ensure admission to all Extra Race Meetings during 1930.

Members are notified that they and their ladies must wear their badges prominently displayed.

No one without a badge will be admitted to the Members' Enclosure.

Badges admitting non-members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$10. per day or \$40 for the Meeting (ladies \$4. and \$16. respectively), are obtainable through the Secretary, such Member to be responsible for payment of all chits, etc.

Badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will not be on sale at the Race Course.

Members can obtain, upon application to the Secretary, Badges (limited to two) for the free admission to the Members' Enclosure of wives, lady relatives and friends. Names must be stated when applying.

On no pretext will children be permitted in either enclosure during the first four days of the Meeting.

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WHAT I want is a bathtub, a shave, and a manicure," remarked

the colonel in a yearning voice as he strode off to the waiting motor car, accompanied by his son, who had his father's duffel bag across his shoulders.

Major Robert F. Baker, of Port Colbourne, a pilot of the original party; Alex. Milne, of Winnipeg, a mechanic of the original party; J. C. Rogers, manager for Dominion Explorers at Stony Rapids; and Captain Bill Spence, of the rescue party, came in the first plane with Col. MacAlpine, Charles Sutton piloting.

Almost an hour later the second plane came out of the northwest, having aboard Ken Dewar, pilot; Captain G. A. Thompson, a pilot of the original party, Col. "Peace River" Jim Cornwall, Mayor L. W. Burwash, and Tommy Stora and Pat Sample, mechanic.

The third and last plane to land arrived 25 minutes later at 3 p.m., piloted by H. Hollick-Kenyon, and contained Captain Stanley McMillan, a pilot of the original party; E. A. Bondway pilot-geologist of the MacAlpine party; and the mechanics, Bill Nadin, Paul Davis, Graham Longley and George Logie.

In the last lap of the return flight the first two named planes flew from Cranberry Portage, and the last plane to arrive came from The Pas, after making a later start than the others.

The members of the returning party made a theatrical sight as they emerged from the planes which brought them back. Eskimo garments had been added to their original Arctic clothing. One man wore a snug-looking caribou skin

## IN UNKNOWN WASTES

## Lost Explorers Found By 'Planes

## GRAPHIC NARRATIVE

We call from the Winnipeg Free Press and Evening Bulletin of December 7 the following graphic account of the rescue and return to civilization of Colonel C. D. H. MacAlpine and his party of explorers, who set out by plane to investigate the possibilities of Canada's far North.

The planes were forced to land in unknown wastes, and the party was taken to safety by a band of Eskimos, who had never seen a white man before.

A rescue party in planes, sent out by Western Canada Airways, which was sent out from Winnipeg, eventually located the lost explorers, and brought them back to safety.

An abridged version of the story as printed in the Winnipeg paper is given below.

For centuries the Arctic wastes of North America have held in their grim grip many stirring stories of adventure and hardship. Explorers have from time to time sought to break the grip and unravel some of the mysteries, only to fail and thus add to those mysteries.

With the arrival in Winnipeg of Col. MacAlpine, in spite of his apparent good health, had a tired look in his face as he talked over his experiences.

He frankly called his trip "a failure" because it had "failed of its objective." He confessed to feeling very concerned about his two planes which are marooned for the winter at Dease Point, and is eagerly looking forward to having them salvaged at the end of the freeze-up.

"If we had succeeded and come back without mishap, not more than one person in a thousand would have heard about us. As it is, there is an appalling amount of publicity," he remarked. "The real heroes of this trip are the airmen of Western Canada Airway who rescued us."

"What feature of all your experiences impressed you the most?" the Dominion Explorers president was asked, and the answer came immediately without hesitation.

"Our Eskimo friends. Their kindness was remarkable. They helped supply us with food. I don't know what we would have done without them."

Possibilities of Far North

Asked what he thought, judging by his own experiences, were the possibilities of far northern Canada for habitation by white men, Col. MacAlpine replied that it was very feasible if mineral resources or other economic developments provided a living. Food would have to be brought in from the south, but white men could adapt themselves to the country by building houses suited to the climate. The Hudson Bay trading posts, with white men in charge, were ample proof that this could be done.

The good health of his own party after unusual experiences was proof enough that the far north is a healthy place to live.

Rescue-Leader's Story

The outstanding impression formed by G. S. Blanchet, leader of the rescue party which brought Col. MacAlpine and his men out to safety after being lost to view for more than two months, was that Col. MacAlpine was very lucky that everything came out the way it did, considering the time of the year, and the conditions that had to be contend with.

Mr. Blanchet was chosen to lead the rescuing party of planes because of his unexcelled knowledge of the north. He first started to "drift north" for the Topographic Survey of Canada in 1906, and has spent 23 years in what he says is wrongly called the Barren Lands. He has covered almost the entire Northwest Territories, starting with the Mackenzie river and working northwestward, and latterly working westward from the west coast of Hudson Bay. He was loaned by the federal government to Dominion Explorers, and his present visit to Winnipeg is his first contact with civilization for a year and a half.

Tough Proposition to Buck

The north is a tough proposition to buck, Mr. Blanchet says. There is no way of bucking it; one has to meet conditions as they are, and sticking back over past events, Mr. Blanchet said that he could see no place where a mistake of judgment was made by MacAlpine. In fact, each time an important decision had to be made, subsequent events proved that the right decision had been made.

Instancing this, Mr. Blanchet pointed out that when MacAlpine found that the lakes he had to cross were freezing over, he struck for the Arctic coast, where there would be open water and where Eskimo habitations were likely to be found.



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While this putting-on-the-back party was in progress, an expert on stability was delivering a very comprehensive lecture to a score of men on the top floor of the same building. Of these men, seated in a room which could easily accommodate 60, scarcely a half-dozen represented the seagoing element. The lecture, intended primarily for

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ships' officers, was delivered in "A-B-C" language, well within the range of the least intelligent of American officers. Broadcast in almost all shipping periodicals, and notice mailed to most every shipping company in the port and on the conspicuous officers' bulletin boards of the Seamen's Institute, there was no logical reason on the part of the group in the recreation room to evade such a splendid treating of a subject so vitally important to their seagoing profession.

Are American officers the best informed in the profession? Is it a waste of effort for institutions, such as the American Bureau and the Merchant Marine School of the Seamen's Church Institute, to present free lectures on construction, stability and freeboard because of the popular belief that all of our officers know the subjects from "A" to "Z"? These questions may be answered by a comparison of qualifications required of our officers by the U.S. Steamboat Inspection Service with those of foreign officers by their respective governments. Of course, such a comparison will not cover the individual of any mercantile marine who, on his own initiative, obtains knowledge of subjects important to his profession, but not required by licence or certificate-granting bodies. However, for the majority the following is offered:

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Judgment has been given in the Admiralty Court by the President, Lord Merrivale, in a test action involving an important point with regard to the payment of wages to a seaman after a wreck, when the wreck prevented the seaman completing his term of employment with the ship. The action was brought by John Murray, a quartermaster and able-bodied seaman on the Croxeth Hall, belonging to Ellerman Lines, Ltd. He sued the company, as owners of the vessel, for £31 1s. wages and subsistence allowance under the Merchant Shipping Act of 1925. A similar question arose in a second case tried at the same time, in which Joseph Comerford, a refrigerating greaser on the Celtic, sued her owners for wages under the same act. Both actions had been referred to the Admiralty Summary Jurisdiction under the Court by the Liverpool Court of Merchant Shipping Act, 1894.

Murray was engaged for a voyage on the Croxeth Hall, which was wrecked off Flushing on February 27 last. As a result his services were terminated on March 4, before the date on which, but for the wreck, they would have ended.

Murray claimed two months' wages and subsistence allowance at the rate of 4s. per day under the Act, which provided that "where, by reason of a wreck or loss of a ship on which a seaman is employed, his services terminate before the date contemplated in the agreement, he shall be entitled in respect of each day on which he is unemployed during a period of two months from the date of the termination of the service, to receive wages at the rate to which he is entitled at that date."

It was also provided that the seaman should not be entitled to receive wages if the shipowner showed that the wreck of the ship or that the seaman was able to obtain suitable employment. The contention of the two plaintiffs in the actions was that under the terms of the Act they were entitled to two months' wages from the date of their discharge following the wreck.

Leave to Appeal

Lord Merrivale found in favour of the two men, and judgment was entered in their favour with costs. Leave to appeal was given. The President said that the plaintiffs were entitled, under the terms of the statute, to wages for a period of two months from the date of the wreck, but they could not sustain any claim for promises of shore work on the ship arriving in port, carrying with it a subsistence allowance. That was not contemplated by the section, which dealt only with wages. On the ground of construction, as well as on the broader grounds with which he regarded the scope and the apparent intention of the statute, he thought it was impossible to construe the section as was proposed on behalf of the companies. The section was not an indemnity section, but he considered it in the nature of a safeguard or aid to enable the seaman to claim compensation for the loss of wages if he were out of work through the ship being wrecked. It was limited to two months, provided that it was shown the seaman could not obtain other employment.

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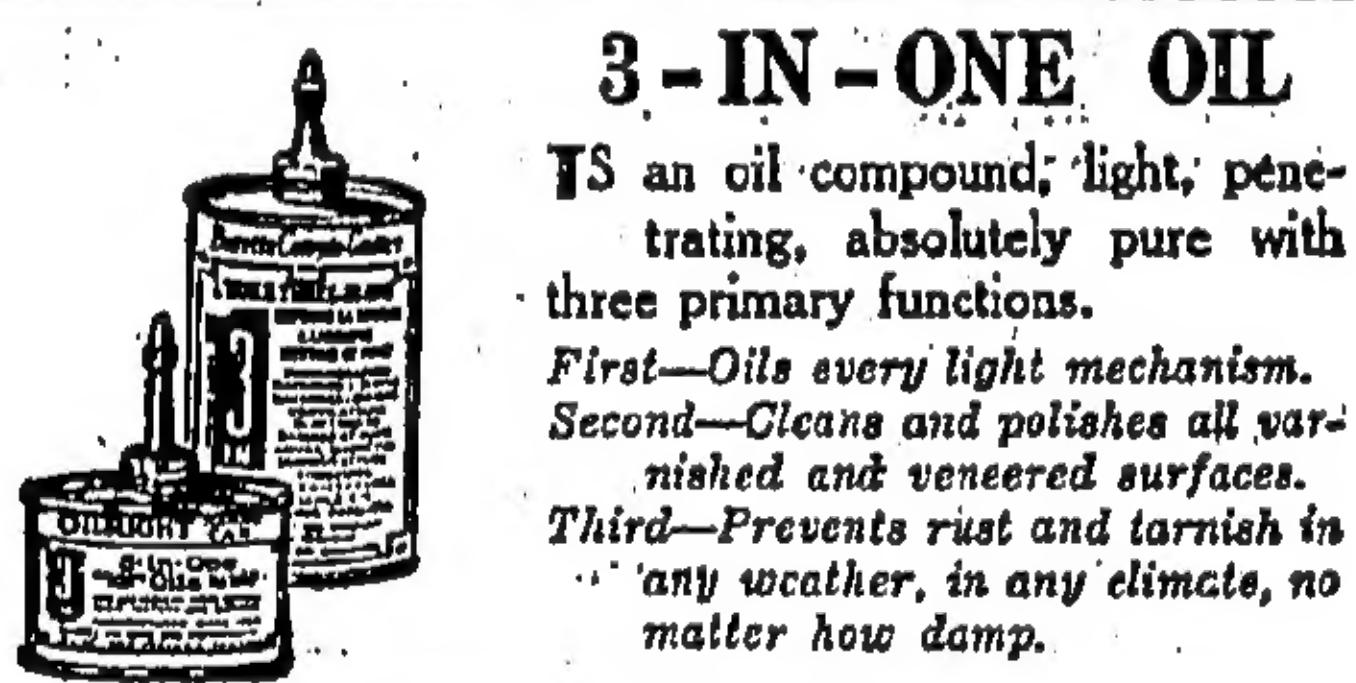
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**STILL WATERS**The meeting of  
A Distinctive Council of  
Blazer the Hong Kong  
Football Association on Tuesday was characterised by some remarks made which were not at all friendly or sporting. In the opinion of many, Mr. A. V. Gosano's request for a distinctive blazer was justifiable. His record is one to be envied. Not only in Hong Kong but in all other Eastern ports, we think, very few footballers can claim to have played in Interport matches for five consecutive years. His request, therefore, as the Chairman (Mr. R. Hall) pointed out, was a modest one; and we cannot see the rhyme or reason of any objection. The sooner some people understand that a body of amateur sportsmen who play the game for the game's sake cannot be controlled and governed by Prussian methods, the better it will be for football in general. And to remind a player of the good time he had had in Shanghai and the souvenir he had received, was, to say the least, childish!

A Naval dinner party to which Arrested Officers of the French cruiser were invited, almost became a "wash out" on Thursday. The circumstances are extremely funny. The cook responsible for preparing the dinner ordered two turkeys from the Central Market. Inspector Fowler of the S.P.C.A. arrested two of the market flocks for plucking, the two turkeys, which turned out to be the same.

As they moved on, the priest walked three extra long paces, bent acrobatically down on crossed legs, leaned his body forward and bent down to the ground, his nose touching the horizontally placed symbol of the burning joss-stick. Then he would rise, take other three steps, chanting the while time amid the rapping of the gong and the twinkling of the bell, and rehearse the whole affair over again. And so the party moved further along Wellington Street, with a great crowd encircling them. Several Chinese gave ten cents to one of the priest's assistants, which seemed very acceptable!

**News in Brief**

Dr. William Thomas Rush, Diploma of the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Alberta, Canada, has been included in the list of medical practitioners in the Colony.

Mr. T. C. Wong, B.Sc. (Eng.), Architect of Denison, Ram &amp; Gibbs, has been elected an Associate Member of the Institution Structural Engineers (A.M.I. Struct. E.) London.

The following tender has been accepted by the Government of Hong Kong:—Messrs. Dodwell &amp; Co., Ltd., cleaning and repairing typewriters in all Government offices at \$3 per machine per annum.

The two Chinese charged with being pirate agents made a third appearance before Mr. A. W. G. H. Grantham, at the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon, when after further evidence was taken, his Worship gave another adjournment.

When the Naval cook went to the market custody for the turkeys, he was told that the Police had them. It was now only a few hours before dinner and poor cookie had nothing to cook! He appealed to a high officer who got into touch with the Police and explained the awkward position unless the turkeys were released. By order of the Superintendent on duty, the turkeys were handed over, and the dinner party was a success.

However, Inspector Evidence Fowler was in the "Eaten" difficult position of prosecuting the market flocks without evidence, which had been eaten, and no doubt enjoyed. The position was explained to Mr. Grantham. The Magistrate was sympathetic, but "law was law." The Inspector decided to take a chance of the market flocks pleading "guilty," in which case it would not be necessary to produce the evidence. Ignorant of what had happened over night, the market flocks may be from past experience, decided to admit the charge and thus get a light penalty. They were fined \$25 each—and executed the Turkey Trot in a very graceful manner!

The other day a queer sight was witnessed in Scenes Wellington Street by the usual Chinese crowd. Three Chinese men, who appeared to be from the north, probably Shanghai, were seen walking and chanting in the street. Two of them, rather elderly with moustaches and pig-tails curled on their heads, were clothed in dark blue, whilst the third, who was the priest, was attired in a light blue gown with a small glass box. Enclosed in the box, there was an idol. The box was thrust over his shoulders and back, from which hung two black cord tassels. In his hand the priest carried a long-tailed metal vase, in which was burning a large joss-stick, the top being exposed to the air.

The two dined in Gong and dark blue, escorted Bell the priest on either side, one beating a miniature gong, and the other tapping lightly on a small bell, while the three of them chanted some of their petitions together.

**WOLVES PROWL OVER EUROPE**  
**SIGNS OF HARD WINTER**

[By Geoffrey Plinck]

[The wolves have crossed their western frontier—the almost certain presage of another severe winter on the Continent. In Serbia, it is reported, the peasants are holding drives against the packs.]

NORMALLY the wolf-frontier is an indeterminate line that can be drawn roughly from Helsinki to Basle, and thence to the mid-point of the Pyrenees. West of that line, the grim phrase, "wolf-winter," common enough in Central Europe and the Balkans, has only a metaphorical meaning. East of it is the added terror of literal truth. The hungering wolf is as merciless as the cold which drives him forth.

Within the past five years wolves have devoured children in Rumania, Poland, and remote districts of Yugoslavia. In 1925, in Russia, they accounted for 40,000 horses and 50,000 cows... A year ago a pair, slinking through the Ardennes, penetrated Northern France and reached Boulogne, to throw back their heads, and howl almost within sight of the coast of Kent.

Now, once more, they are fleeing westward from the advance of winter. They have been seen in Alsace, in the Auvergne, and as far west as Pamplona, in Spain—all within the past few weeks.

**WEI-HAI-WEI****Agreement for Its Retrocession?**

Nanking, Yesterday.

Dr. C. T. Wang informed Press men this morning that the draft agreement regarding the Shanghai Provisional Court has received the approval of the Governments concerned, and the formal signing will take place on February 17 in Nanking.

Dr. Wang also stated that he and Sir Miles Lampson had reached an agreement regarding the retrocession of Wei-hai-wei. The draft agreement has been initialed.

Upon approval by the British Government, the agreement will be signed. Dr. Wang declared that the retrocession of Wei-hai-wei will be the first step towards the retrocession of all leased territories held by foreigners in China.—Reuter.

Sir M. Lampson

Hankow, Yesterday. Sir Miles Lampson arrived this afternoon by plane to attend a meeting of the Committee of the British Chamber of Commerce this evening.—Reuter.

**MEN, WOMEN, AND AFFAIRS**

An Ancient Ceremonial: Unusual Episcopal Experiences: Governor Of Bengal: Death Of The Pope's Brother: Bound For Jericho

**Cutting the Baddeley Cake**

THE Baddeley Cake was cut at Drury Lane on Twelfth Night, and an ancient ceremonial, with which not even the war years interfered, was duly observed.

It has been cynically declared that no investment in theatrical publicity has brought a richer reward than the "2100 in the Three per Centa" which the eighteenth-century actor Robert Baddeley left for the purchase of cake and a few glasses of wine.

For the Drury Lane company to consume on Twelfth Night. The donor's object was, of course, purely one of good-fellowship; but it is a fact that since his death in 1794 not a year passed without extensive mention of his name.

During the reigns at Drury Lane of the late Sir Augustus Harris and of Arthur Collins the amount spent on this function far exceeded the income of the theatre, so non-theatrical friends were invited, and the champagne flowed freely. Of late years the entertainment has been more modest.

The two dined in Gong and dark blue, escorted Bell the priest on either side, one beating a

some unusual episcopal experiences during the recent hurricane in the West Indies.

In addition to the anxiety caused by the destruction of church property, he has had the responsibility, as he explains in a letter to a friend, of being acting Harbour-master for a month which covered the period of the hurricane.

He describes how, on a Sunday morning, on the receipt of a warning, he had to dash round in purple cassock getting storm cones hoisted, the lighthouse, and attending to the safety of Government House.

Immediately the Bishop lost his library in the hurricane, just as he had completed a catalogue which had been waiting forty years for someone to tackle.

Sir Stanley Jackson.

Lieut.-Colonel Sir Stanley Jackson, the Governor of Bengal, has obtained permission to go to Europe in May, and will probably spend the greater part of the summer in England.

As a late All-England cricketer, and for many years captain of Yorkshire, Sir Stanley, after the year in India, must be looking forward with keen anticipation to the opportunity offered by a summer of comparative idleness.

After the year Sir Stanley gave up his time to politics, and he was appointed chairman of the Conservative party organisation in 1923, as successor to the late Lord Kenyon, which post he did not leave until the date of his present appointment.

His many friends in Parliament are preparing to give him a hearty welcome on his return.

**Visitors to America**

AMERICA is attracting London's eminent theatrical folk. Mr. Seymour Hicks is sailing for New York in the Olympic, mainly in connection with film business, but hopes to be back by the end of February, if not sooner. Mr. Frederick Lonsdale follows, and will go to California, in addition to spending about ten days at Palm Beach.

The two are lifelong friends, and both are natives of Jersey. Yet Mr. Hicks, by some strange chance, has never yet appeared in one of Mr. Lonsdale's plays.

**The Pope's Bereavement**

COUNT Ferino Ratti, who has died suddenly in an hotel in Rome, was the elder brother of the Pope, and it was rumoured that his Holiness was to have the proclivities of the Vatican in order to attend his funeral.

The Count spoke English fairly well, and some fifteen years ago he had a villa at Bordighera, where he was much liked by the large British colony.

His hobby in those days was sailing boats, at which he was an adept, and he would spend the whole day cruising along the coast quite alone. He could also carve model ships, with great skill, and some of these used to be sold for local charities.

**Bishop Off to Jericho**

PROFESSOR Garstang, who left England last week bound for Palestine to continue his archaeological research, has returned home since the days of his absence.

Dr. Garstang, a distinguished author, has followed the footsteps of his predecessor, Dr. Flinders Petrie, and is preparing to give him a hearty welcome on his return.

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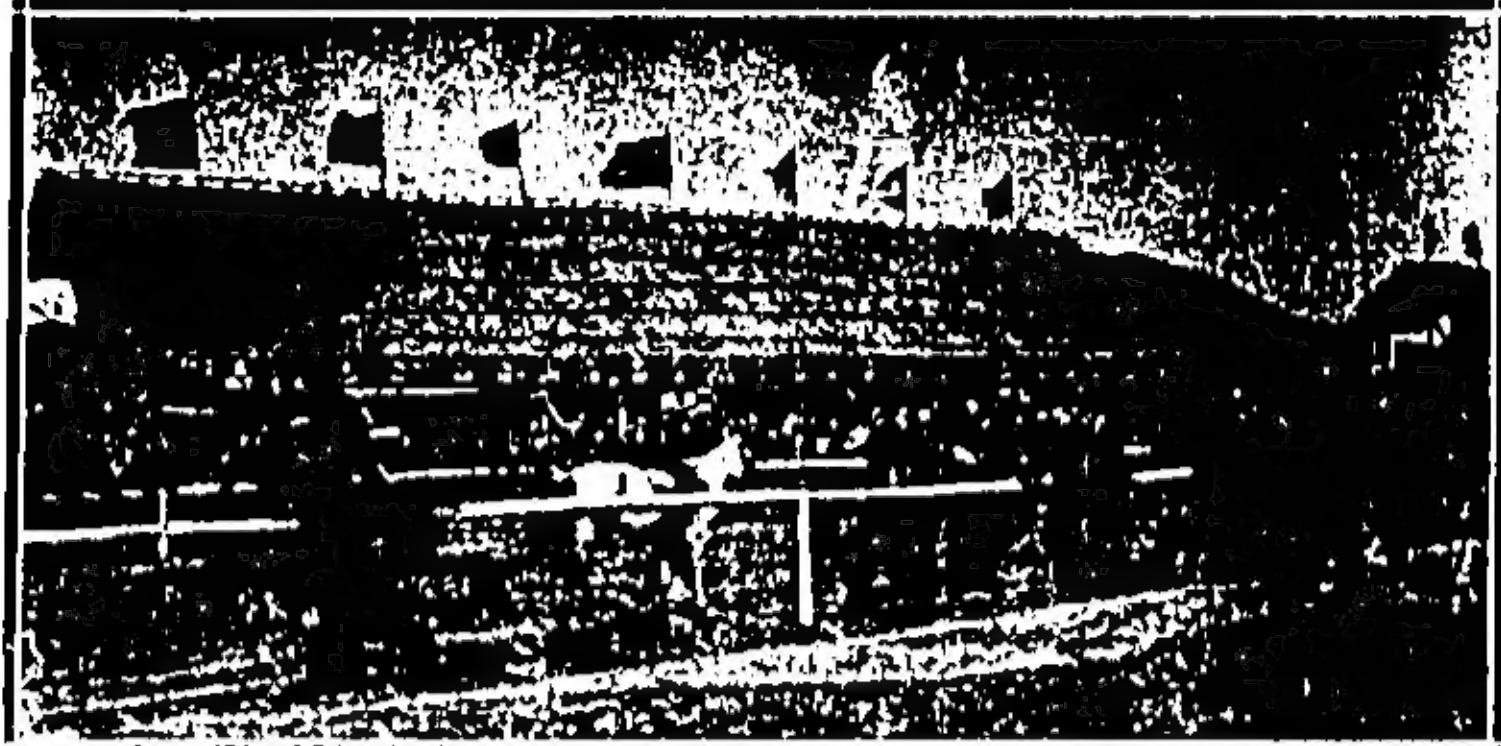
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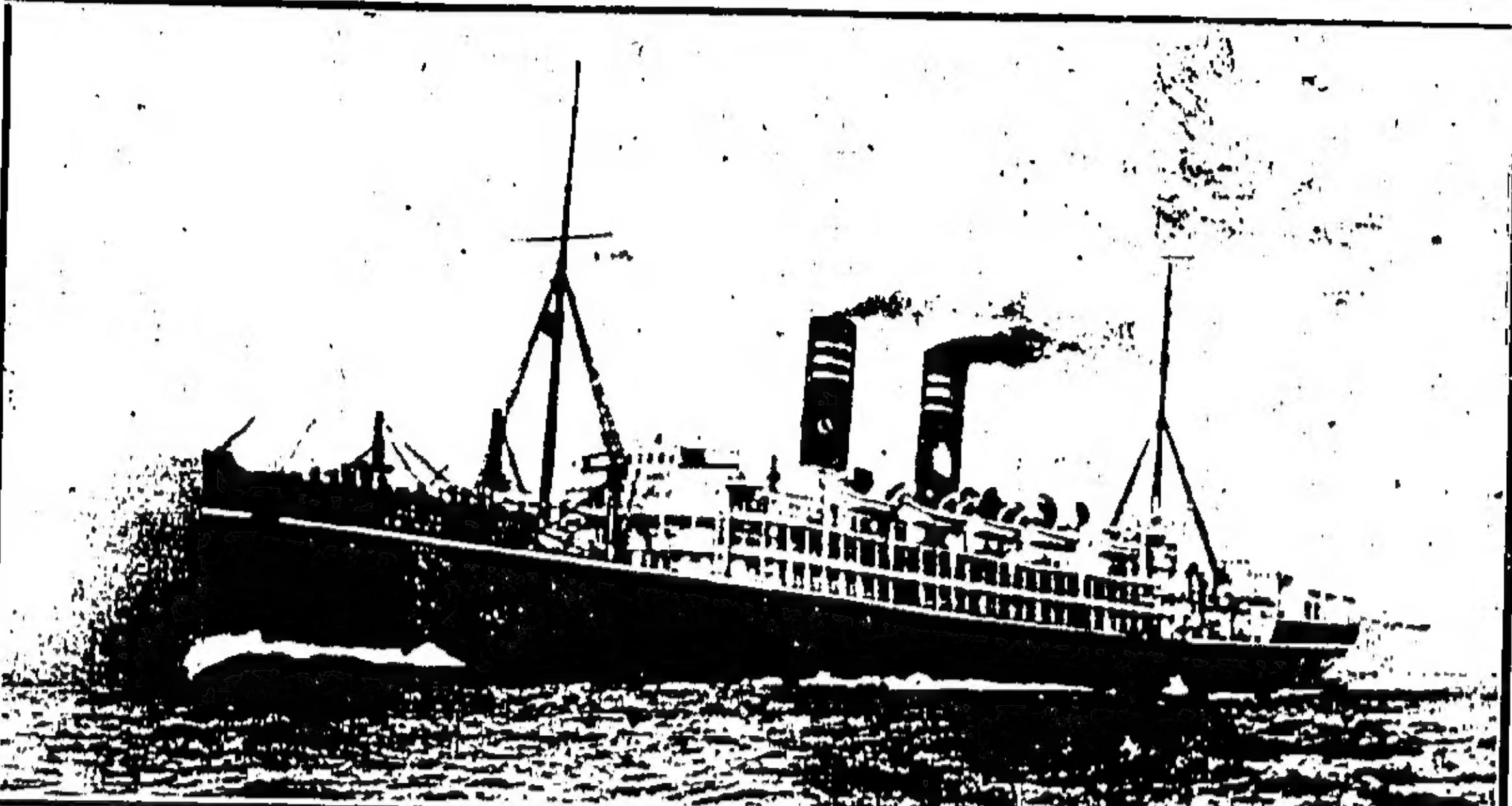
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REGIMENTAL RACE.—The Somersets Regimental race during the Gymkhana held at Fanling last week.—(K. Fujiyama).



S.S. SIBERIA MARU.—This luxurious N.Y.K. liner, one of the most popular passenger carriers on the southern Pacific route, has now been transferred to the Orient-Seattle service. View of the s.s. Siberia Maru steaming into the harbour.



OVER THE STICKS.—Clearing the jump in good style during the Regimental Gymkhana at Fanling.—(K. Fujiyama).



LADIES' QUOITS.—Ladies playing quoit pegging at the Gymkhana at Fanling.—(K. Fujiyama).



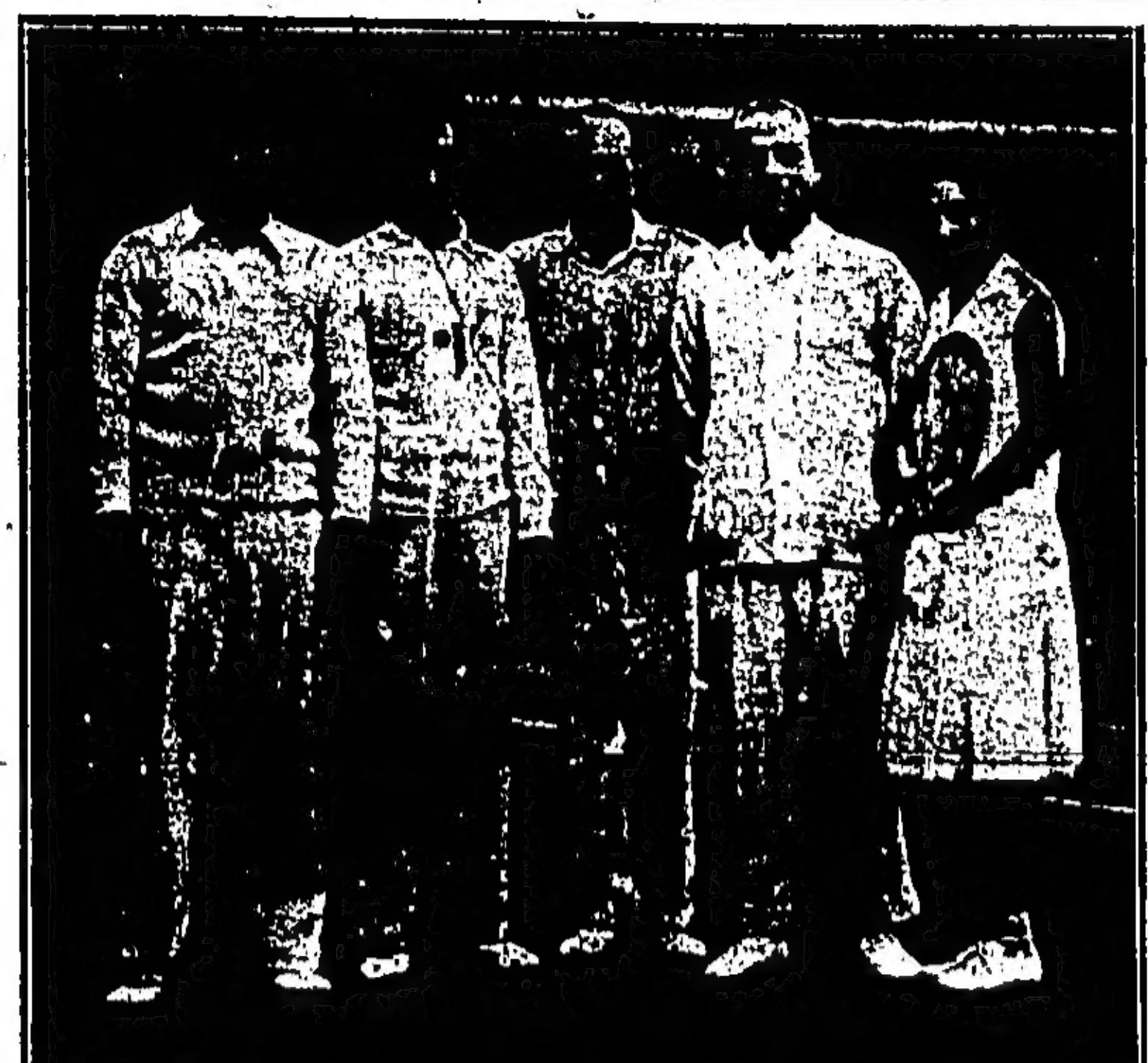
OFFICERS OF THE SECOND WILTSHIRE REGIMENT, who are leaving Shanghai for home on February 26. Lieutenant-Colonel C. A. Barker, O.B.E., Commander of the Regiment, is seated in the centre of the second row.—(Photo by Carson Studio).



THE BADDELEY CAKE.—The cutting of the Baddeley Cake—an historic ceremony inseparably associated with Drury Lane Theatre—was performed on Twelfth Night by Mr. C. M. Lowne, in the grand saloon after the performance of "The Sleeping Beauty." Robert Baddeley, originally a cook, became a Drury-Lane actor. He died in 1794 and left the revenue of his house in Surrey for the support of an asylum for distressed actors, and a sum of money for the purchase each year of a Twelfth Cake, wine, and punch, to be partaken of by members of the estate at Drury Lane.—(Sport and General).



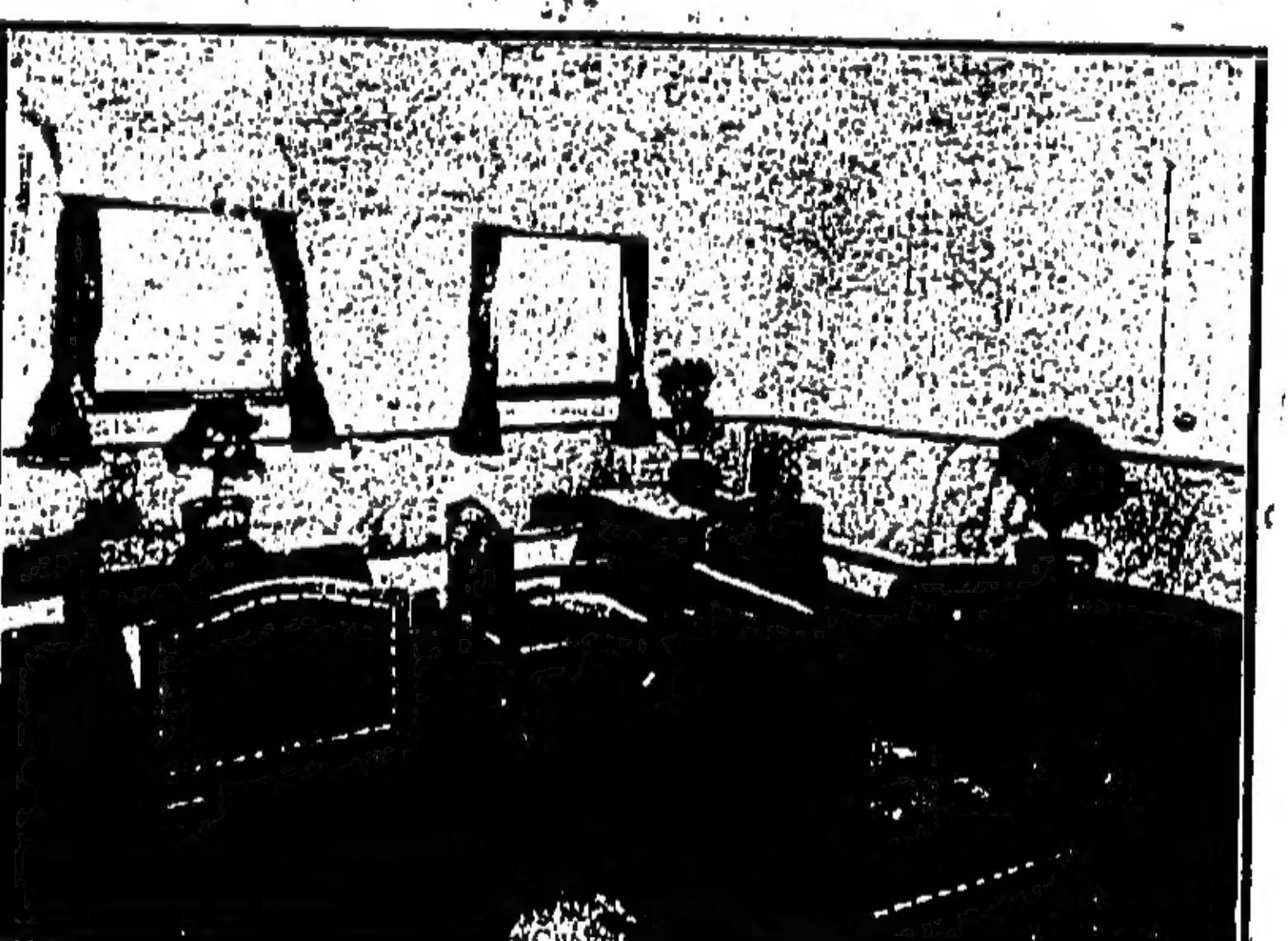
HAI ALAI EXPERTS OF THE AUDITORIUM, who have just arrived in Shanghai. Twenty-six of the Hai Alai players will show Shanghai something new in sports. They are without exception Spaniards and have gone there either from their homeland or from Cairo.—(Photo by Joseffo).



A FRIENDLY BOUT.—Mr. Sato and Mr. Harada, the Japanese Davis Cup players, after a bout with Messrs. Lo and Miss E. Lo.—(K. Fujiyama).



A NATIVITY CRIB.—To celebrate Christmas Day at Westminster Cathedral, in honour of the Nativity, a crib was arranged in St. Paul's Chapel, Westminster Cathedral, depicting the birth of Christ.—(Sport and General).



MODERN LOUNGE.—Furnished in the modern style, the cosy tourist cabin lounge on the N.Y.K. liner s.s. Siberia Maru, is designed for space and comfort.



RAMON NOVARRO, Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer star, now making "The House of Troy," discusses opera and voice culture with Amelita Galli-Curci, world famous opera singer. Left to right: Ramon Novarro, Amelita Galli-Curci and Dorothy Jordan who plays opposite Novarro.



DOUBLE BERTH.—A double tourist-cabin berth on the N.Y.K. liner s.s. Siberia Maru. These cabins are roomy and comfortably furnished.



Johnny Hines and Leila Hyams in "White Feather." Now showing at the Majestic Theatre, Kowloon.

# The WOMAN'S Page

Net Costume for Evening Wear



Here is pictured an evening costume of headed net showing an extremely decolletage neckline and long close-fitting sleeves. The sweeping train is outlined by shaded ostrich feathers, which graduate up toward the front and are matched by a huge feather fan. A silver wig and diamond necklace further enrich the costume.

## TEA CUP TALES

[By Georgina Bratley] Reeling fortunes from the tea cup is really not very difficult. What is necessary is a little imagination and some ability to concentrate on the cup, and it is worth while, for, when you have mastered this, you will find yourself very popular if you are able to tell your friends something of their future.

A white cup is better than a coloured one; and those egg-shaped, or with a concave bottom are better than the flat-bottomed cups.

It is a good plan to have two cups of tea before the cup is read, allowing the leaves of the first cup to remain while drinking the second one. In this way you will have a good number of leaves to read from, though a cup with very few leaves may be just as important.

## Turning the Cup

The first thing to do is to turn the cup, do this with the left-hand, giving the cup a circular motion in the same direction as the movement of the hands of the clock. Repeat three times, then turn the cup down in the saucer to drain.

Hold the cup in the left-hand to read it, so that the handle is on the left side.

Should most of the leaves lodge near the handle it is an indication of a change of residence in a short time, probably to a larger house.

If most of the leaves are opposite the handle you are likely to remain in your present abode for a good length of time.

## For Good Luck

Should the sediment be evenly spread it indicates good luck in general affairs, but, if it is thick, or in patches, it means the reverse.

Tea stems often indicate people; a hard black stem denotes a male; a soft light-coloured one, a lady, and these people will be short or tall according to the length of the stem.

If the signs or symbols formed by the leaves appear near the top of the cup, the events are likely to take place early; midway between top and bottom of cup, they are more distant and, if at the bottom, not for several weeks or months.

*Pamela*

## WOMAN SMOKER'S BAG

Of all the feminine accessories, handbags vary more than any others. The latest is designed especially for the smoker. It is in strong pigskin and under a flap on one side are concealed two slots, one large enough to hold ten cigarettes, with matches on the other.

By the way, to add to its convenience there is, at the back, a small slit-pocket in which you can tuck a handkerchief, or flat puff.

## Her Imperial Highness of Japan



This engaging little kimono-wrapped figure is not a Japanese doll, but is Her Imperial Highness, the Princess Terunomiya of Japan. The little Princess celebrated her fifth birthday on December 5, 1920.

## CAP FOR THE BATH

It is so annoying, just after the hair has been, waved, to find the steam from the bath very quickly taking out this desirable setting. But a new cap has been made for the especial purpose of preventing this. Like a sleeping cap, it is made of net, with reinforced side pieces and a ribbon to tie under the chin, and there is also a lining of waterproof silk, to protect the hair.

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## WOMEN'S REVOLT

## The Crisis of the Short Skirt

The women's revolt against the Paris "dictators of fashion who have decreed the return of the long skirt fills many pages of American magazines and newspapers.

The views of indignant feminine writers are summarised by the Literary Digest, (New York) which, beginning with the question "Must women go back to tripping over their trains?" gives the essence of their answer in the expressive American idiom: "Not on your life!" In the past, it says, women had not so much as questioned the voice of the unseen dictator; this time they are mobilised and militant. "Even the Young Women's Christian Association" we read, "which fought tooth and nail against the flapper kilt when it first came in, is now just as vehemently resisting the revival of the shin-awarding flounces of the 'nineties. Nor is that the worst of it. With consternation one hears a rumour—nay, a matter-of-fact report—of bustles. Also muffs—presumably to balance the bustles."

A clarion call to rebellion is sounded by Miss Fannie Hurst, the vivacious author of magazine fiction. Writing in *The New Republic*, under the title "Let's Not Waste Them!" she says that the Paris decree flies in the face of common sense and hygiene, to say nothing of aesthetics. For the radical changes in women's dress, which have been gradually evolved during the last ten years in the ferment after the war mean something much more to the modern woman than vanity and smartness. They eloquently represent her new psychological, sociological, economic, and political status. A peep into the wardrobe of Queen Victoria, for example, "might have proved, by negation, that she did not golf, drive a car, go to business, let her waistline alone, or wear two-ounce underthings." But

## A Court Dress



Miss Harriet Walker will soon marry Wellington Smith Henderson, son of former Senator and Mrs. Charles H. Henderson. Miss Walker followed Miss Helen Wills to the altar. Miss Walker is pictured in the Court dress she wore when she and Miss Wills were presented at the Court of St. James's.

## THE NEW BLOUSES

Numerous effects and variations are seen in these odd skirts we must buy now that blouses have come back. The new blouses vary in style and material, and though tweed skirts may be worn with every type of blouse, marocain ones are severely tailor made so that they are appropriate with woolly blouses.

With a plain blouse it is usual for the skirt to be patterned, and vice versa. A few box-pleated skirts have been made, but, more often, they are quite straight and wrap-over, or a couple of knife pleats appear at one side. Godets at the hem-line are seen in silk skirts, but they are rare. Stitching is an ornate trimming and gives sturdy hems to light suitings.

## PRETTY INDOOR MODE

One bolero-coatee in a Mayfair shop is made from broche satin and has a scarf end on one side of the collar only, tipped with fur, and there are wing sleeves also fur edged. This is a particularly pretty indoors mode. Another coatee is of moire velvet, and though this, too, is for indoors, it is quite different from the broche one, for it fastens across the hips tightly, and the wide cuffs are caught around the wrists, their extra width being arranged to form a loop of material.

## MORNING FROCKS

Fine tweeds are used for the new morning frocks, and usually, they are made on Princess lines, with bodices fitting snugly, but not tightly. Skirts on such frocks are lightly flared and moderately long, and belts fit at a high waist-line. Fleck designs are more popular than patterns though small and distinct patterns remain in vogue.

These tweed frocks are often worn under plain, long coats fur-trimmed, and the coat, whether plain or patterned, must fit as neatly as the dress itself. Black coats and black furs are fashionable over the brightest of tweed frocks.

fashion have the greater influence with women. Betting odds, we sadly fear, favour the directors of fashion at the ratio of about 100 to 1. In similar strain in this comment: "But if women go back to the trains and the hoop-skirt and the big sleeve and the bustle, the masculine sex will at least regain its older reputation of being the less idiotically dressed of the sexes."

## NEGLIGE MODES

## The Joy Coat and the Kimono

A correspondent writes in the Singapore Free Press:

Although we connect the word "kimono" mostly with Japan, it is essentially the negligee of the Near as well as the Far East, and I suppose no woman in Malaya but possesses several of these delightful wraps in her wardrobe. In tropic lands when in the privacy of our own rooms, we are often careless about flinging of garments in search of what a young friend of mine calls "cooth," but servants out East are not taught to knock on our doors and await permission to enter, as they are at home, so as footsteps approach, it is well to have an easy garment handy to fling over us hastily. The kimono fits the bill.

## The Colours

"Kims" as the rising generation call them, can be bought from any sum up to any sum. Formerly one could only purchase black and white patterns cheaply; later in blue and white and for a modest sum of \$2. Recently our No. 1 kimono house held a sale at which ravishing kimonos could be purchased in bewitching designs, and in all the colours of the rainbow, ready made for \$3. Other houses soon followed, and from this extremely modest price the range extends through better cottons, cashmeres thick and thin, up to beautifully embroidered silk kimonos fit for a Princess.

Christmas with its bewilderment over presents is gone, but when 1930's turn comes along and the festive season brings with it knit brows over gifts for home and here, don't forget that a kimono makes a very appreciated gift.

Or it may be you are Home-going this Spring; then place in the bottom of your trunk three or four of the latest makes in "kims," and your relatives at home will wish your leave come more often.

## For the Men Folk

Kimonos too are of both sexes, so when the bothersome spectre of

## Debutante Favours Paris Mode



Society debutante pictured above displays an exquisite negligee of pale yellow crepe trimmed with hand embroidery and lace. This is the latest creation from Paris, the world's fashion centre.

is far cooler in this hot climate. Of quilted silk kimonos I will not write; these approach too closely to the dressing gown type and are only suited to a very warm climate.

There are many ladies, however, who entirely dislike the floppy kimono garment. For these a negligee can be made by following the straight lines of the kimono but crossing the front over slightly and tying it on the left side, above the knee, by ribbons to match some shade in the design. The shoulder is cut and fitted and a short sleeve put in. This sort of kimono has

for whom Mummie has bought one of these ducky little coats is indescribably cuddlesome looking.

To finish off the ease-garments described above, mules should be worn. They are most attractive in make and colour these days: so quickly slipped on that there is absolutely no excuse for any woman or girl to go about her room barefoot and so run risks that do not occur in a temperate climate, or where servants have cleaner habits.

More Eastern than mules are the pretty embroidered toe slippers which form the usual Christmas or parting gift to her Mem worked by the hand of Amah or Ayah. These slippers are as dainty and as practical as are the bought mules, and the wearing of them gives a sure pleasure to the native woman who has toiled perhaps evening after evening when her charge was in bed, to make a present worthy of offering to her mistress.

## ATTRACTIVE MUFFS

Some very attractive muffs are seen in the shops just now. These new muffs are never large or ornate, but moderately sized, and contain a bag. A round muff in velvet is stitched with wool, and it seems as if there must be something particularly quaint in their "make up" to excuse their presence. A tassel or two is quite an ordinary trimming, and wooden buttons are bright decorations which fasten the pocket-bag.

The muff must, of course, tone with some other article of one's dress scheme—hat or scarf, and, perhaps, the gloves fall in with the ensemble too.

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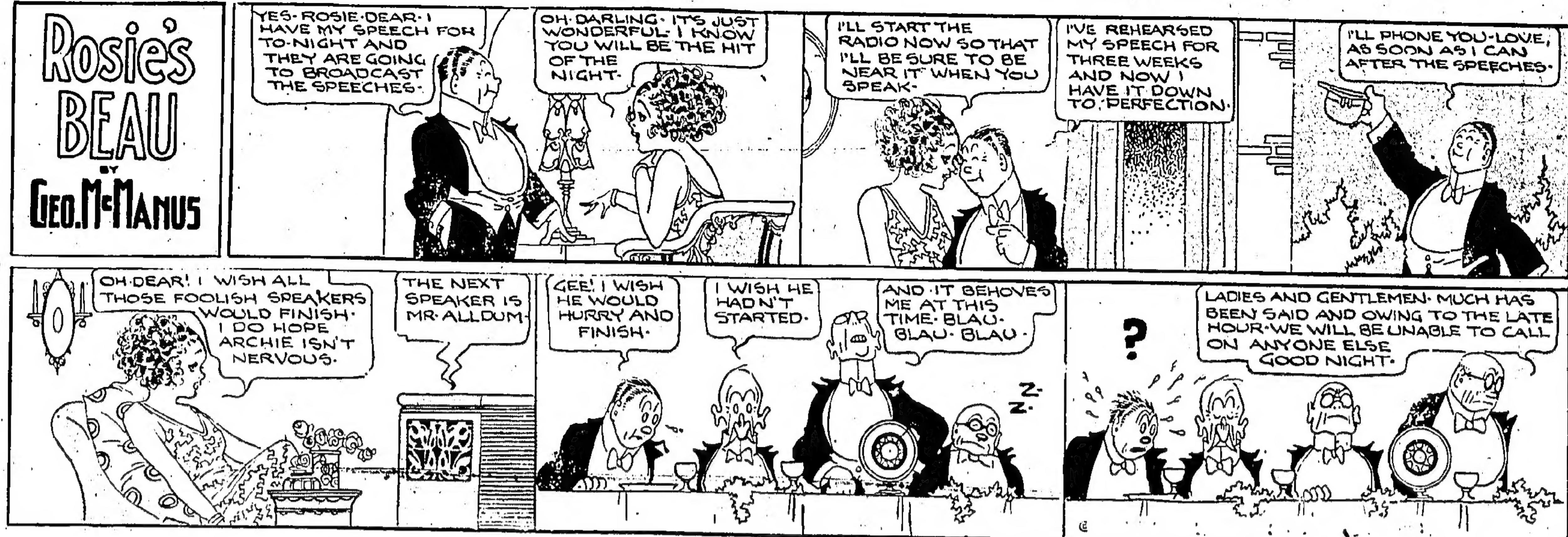
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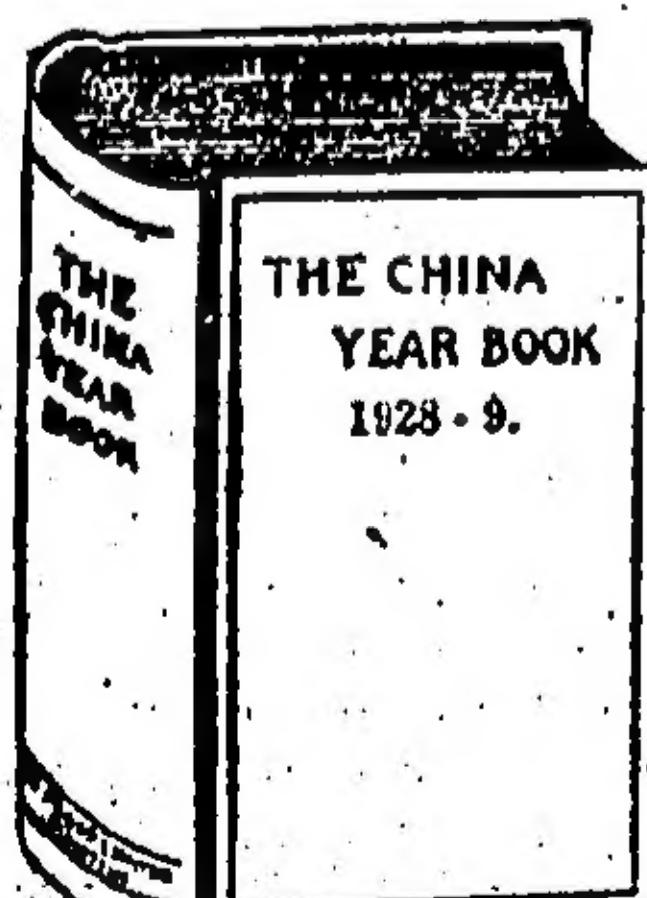
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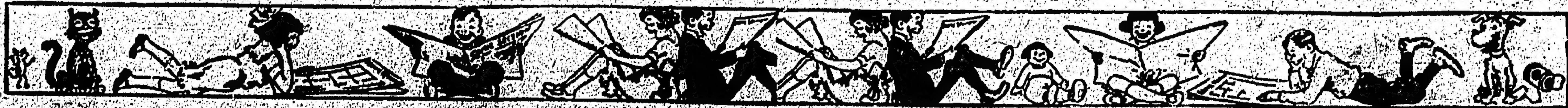
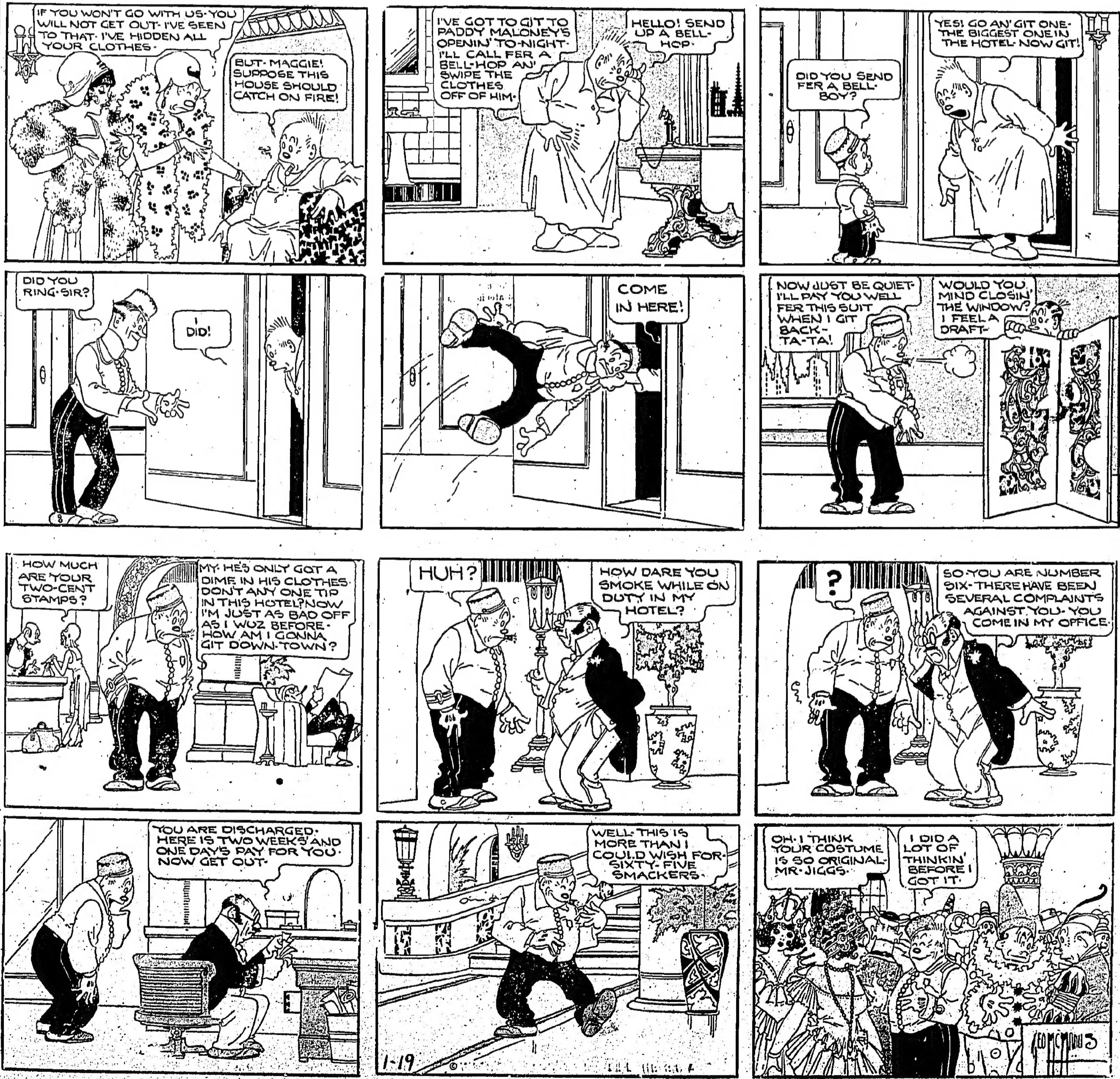
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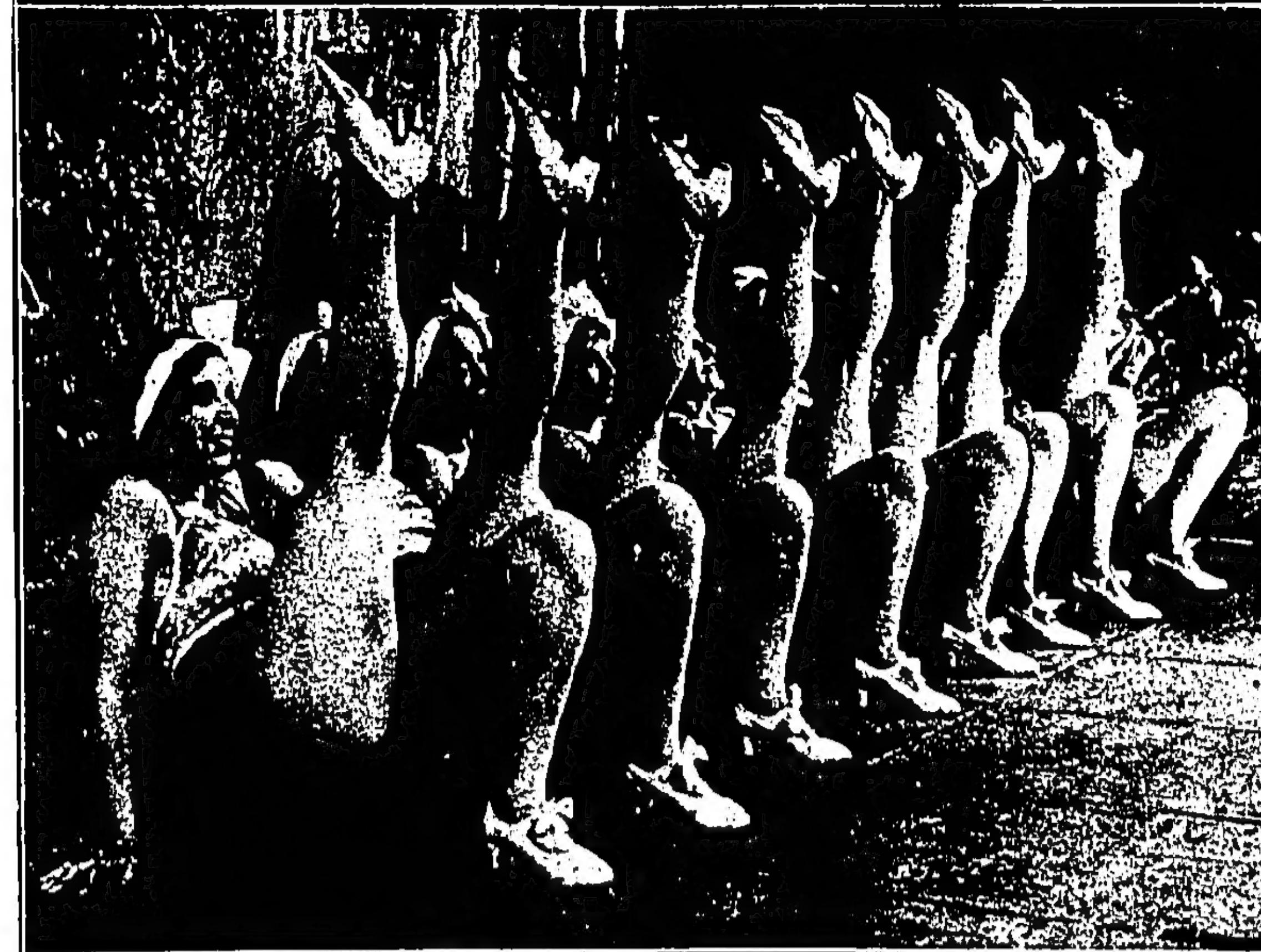
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FOLK DANCE FESTIVAL.—Twelve young Basque dancers from the Basque village of Berria, in Vizcaya, northern Spain, who have never been out of their country before, have arrived in England to take part in the annual folk dance festival held by the English Folk Dance Society at the Albert Hall, London. The Basque dancers are noted for their celebrated sword dance which they are rehearsing at the University of London.—(Sport and General).



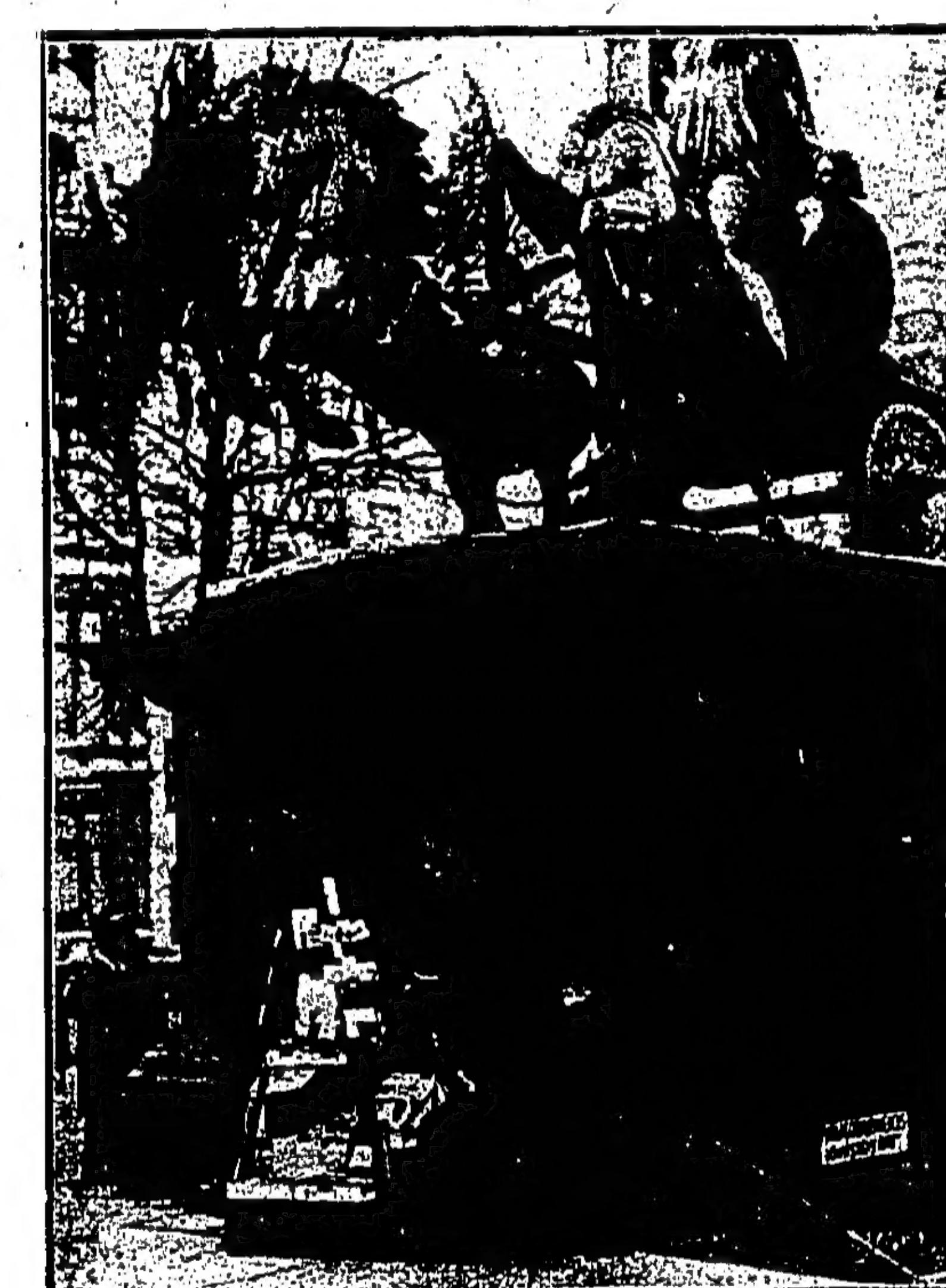
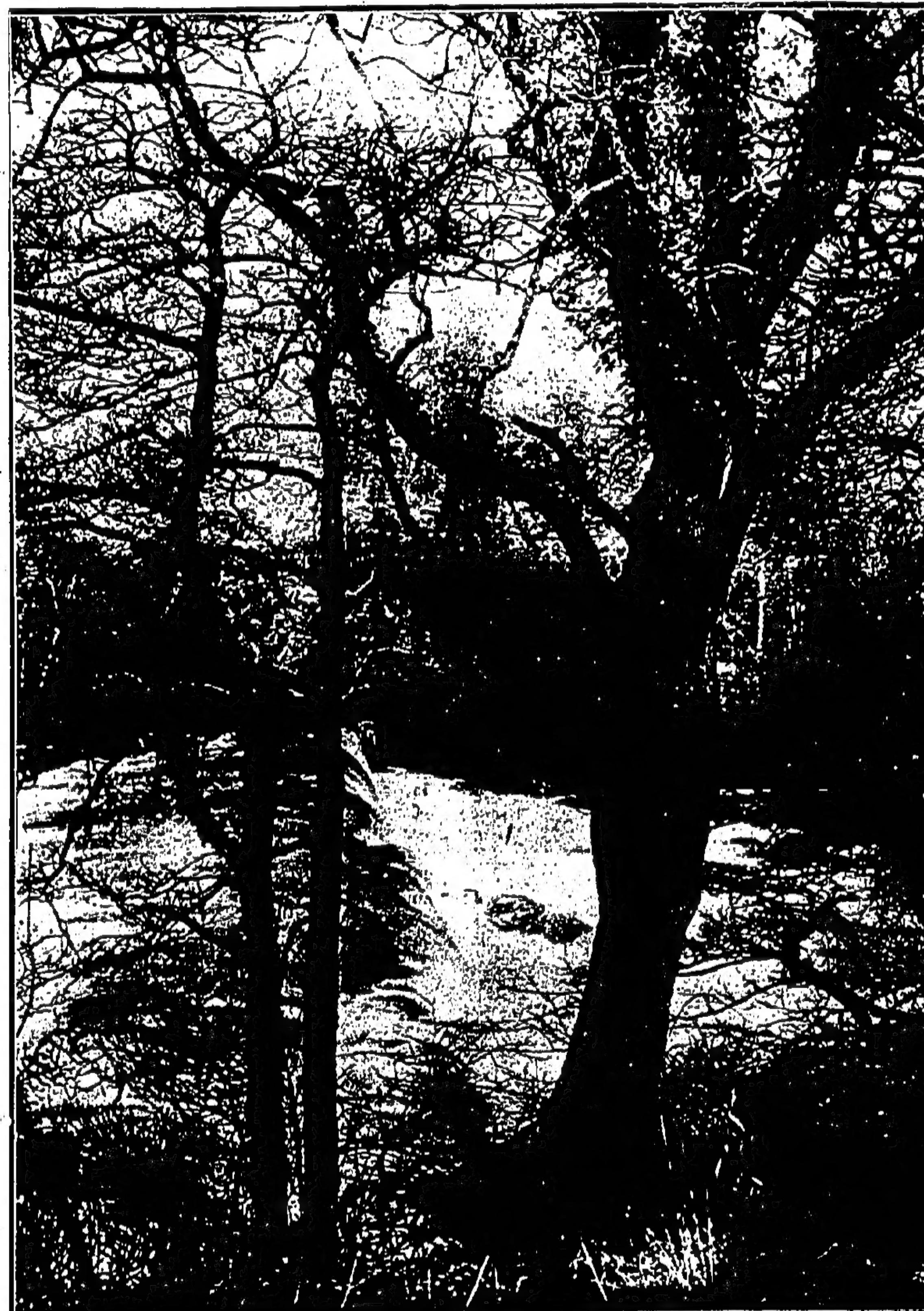
STRIKING LEG DISPLAY.—The Grafton dancing girls perform for the Pathé's sound pictorial, in London. The troupe gave a striking display of the art of dancing during their performance.—(Sport and General).



CHINESE CADETS.—Under the arrangements entered into between the British and Chinese Governments, a number of Chinese Junior officers are being trained in the Royal Navy—both afloat and ashore. A party of sub-Lieutenants at their studies at the Royal Naval College, Greenwich.—(Sport and General).



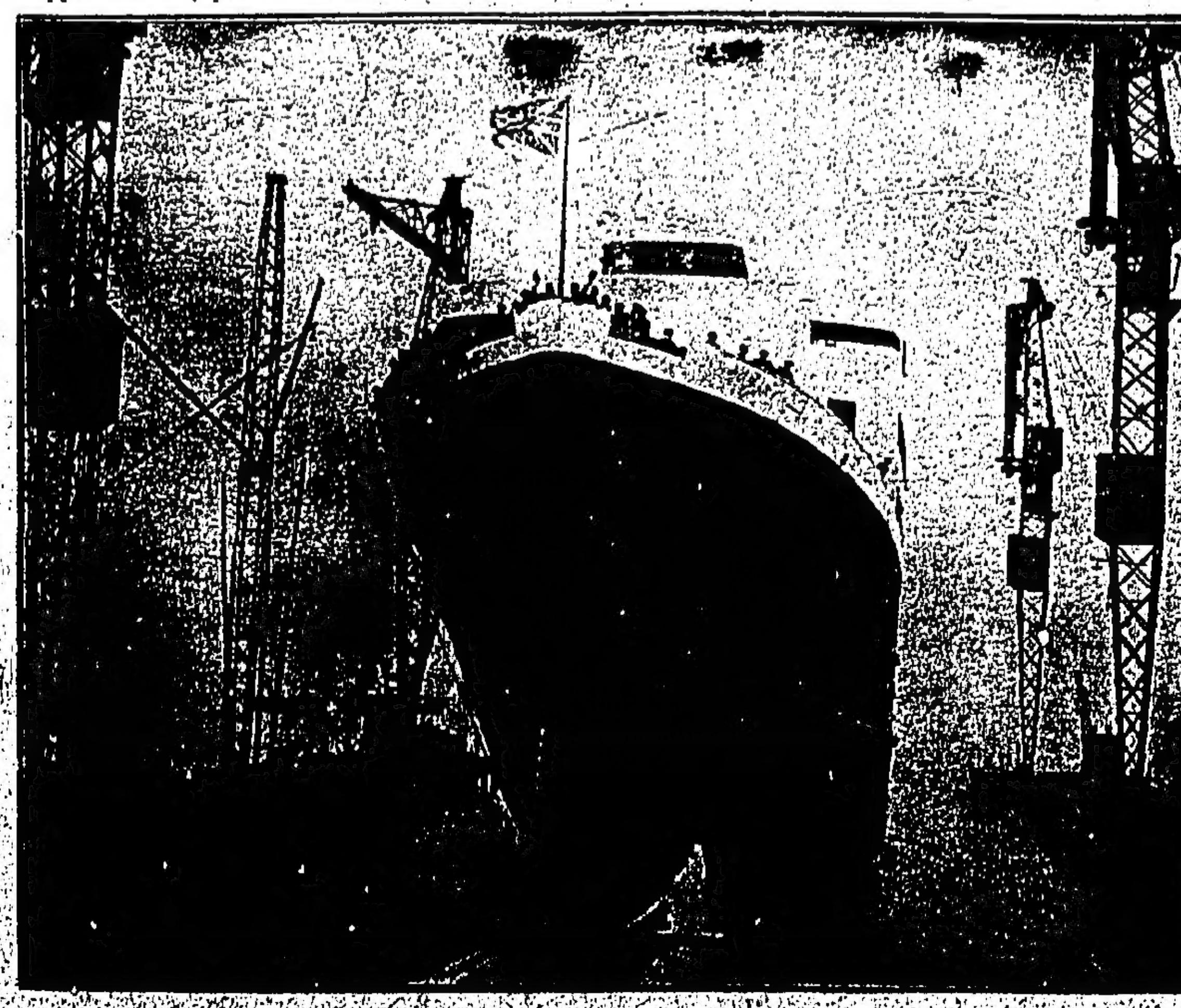
THE HUMAN FLY.—Jack Farnsworth, a six-feet clay cross (Derbyshire) athlete, has, as one of his diversions, the trick of walking up the sides of houses. Farnsworth, who is a collier, is adjudged the best six-feet athlete in the country, a challenge which he issues yearly. Jack Farnsworth walking up between the houses that are nearly seven feet apart.—(Sport and General).



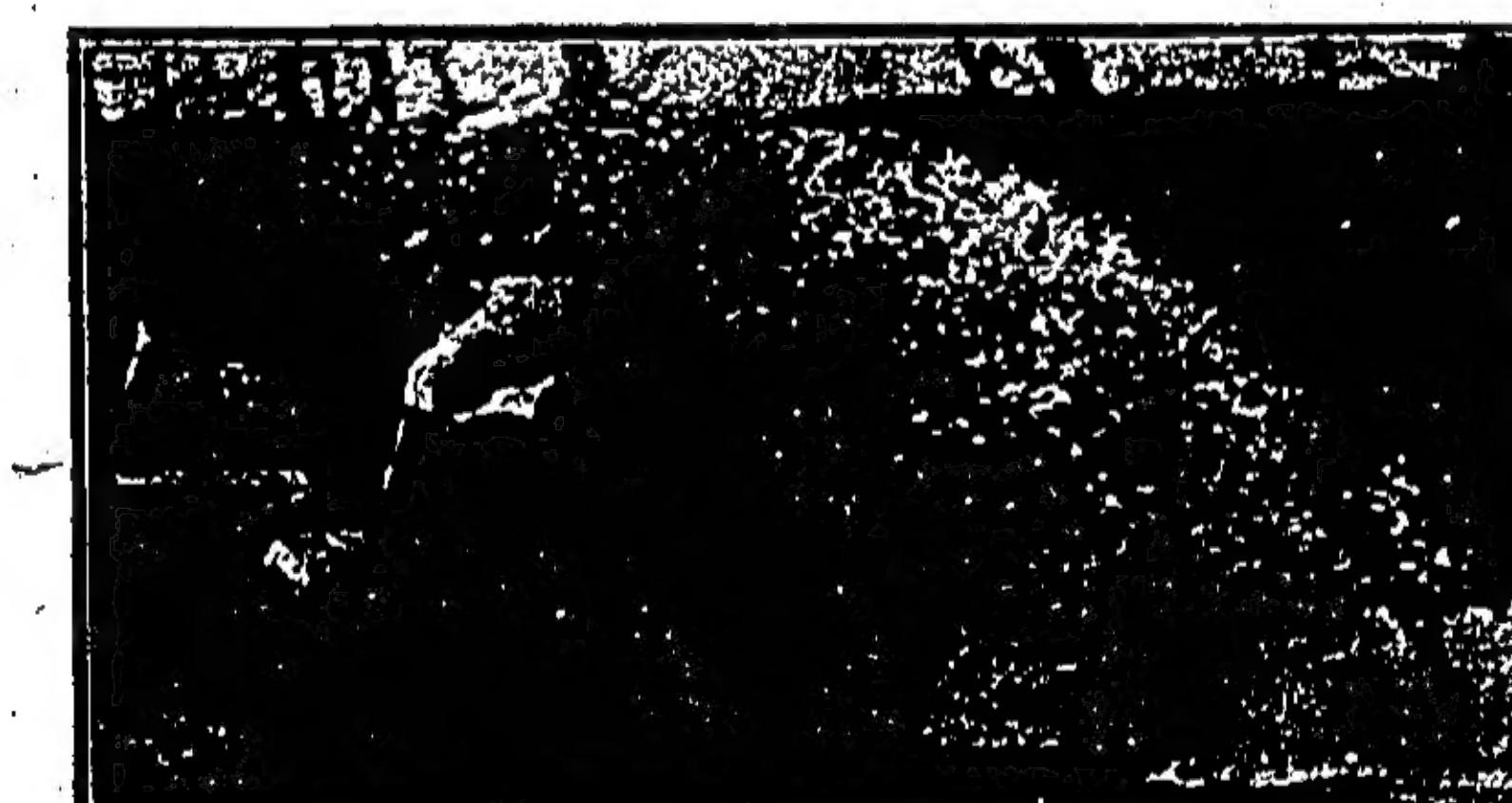
A LONDON CHARACTER.—Mr. "Ed." Crocker, a well-known figure at the foot of Westminster Bridge, who peddles postcards, and charges one penny to peer at Big Ben through his huge telescope. He has stood at this spot for 37 years.—(Sport and General).



REFLECTIONS.—The London Ladies' Olympiades rehearse for their walking handicap in Battersea Park, London. Some of the competitors making a start on the flooded track.—(Sport and General).



S.S. PRINCE HENRY.—Miss Isabel MacDonald, daughter of the Prime Minister, performed the christening ceremony at the launching of the Canadian National Railways' s.s. Prince Henry (the first of three sister ships to serve the British-Columbia-Alaska Route) at Messrs. Cammell Laird and Co., Birkenhead, Cheshire, on January 17. The s.s. Prince Henry going down the slipway.—(Sport and General).



"A MIGHTY SPLASH."—Lord Glanely's "Shaun O'R" (J. Sinnott up) jumps clear after putting up the water in the Burstow Double Handicap steeplechase, at Lingfield Park, Surrey.—(Sport and General).



QUEER PETS.—Mrs. Emerson, an old lady of Barnet, owns a pet lamb which behaves quite well with a pet dog, both animals accompanying their mistress on shopping expeditions. The lamb answers to the name of "Nan" and the dog to "Judy".—(Sport and General).

**PLOT AGAINST SOVIET**

**Spurious Notes That Were to Wreck Credit  
ARMED ATTACK  
Oil Magnates Said to Be Involved  
A STRANGE STORY**

An extraordinary plot to overthrow the Bolshevik regime in Russia, by first undermining its economic foundations with a flood of spurious notes and then launching an armed attack from Georgia, was described in Berlin Criminal Courts recently.

Representatives of the German Foreign Office and of the Bolshevik Embassy were in court, and it is believed that the further hearing of the case will yield interesting political disclosures.

It is regarded as beyond doubt that the conspirators had the active support of General Max Hoffmann, the Chief of Staff, and virtual Commander-in-Chief of Germany's Eastern front during the latter stages of the War.

Further, circumstantial statements that the plot was financially backed by big international oil magnates have been widely circulated in the Berlin Press.

The accused consist of a Russian, Shavla Karunidze, a former professor, and six Germans, and they are charged with forgery.

The plan was to flood Russia with millions of spurious "chevronets" notes, and the conspirators had printed some thousands of almost perfect specimens before they were detected.

The forgery of French francs in Hungary by Prince Louis von Windisch-Gratz is supposed to have been the model followed.

**THOUSANDS OF BOGUS NOTES**

Karunidze is an educated man with a Moscow degree. Before the war he was a professor of history at Tiflis, and he was one of the signatories of the memorandum sent to President Wilson by the League of National Minorities in Russia.

After the first Russian revolution he was a member of the Georgian National Council, which was eventually suppressed by the Bolsheviks.

According to his ready admissions, great advances had been made with the first stage of the plot before it came to the knowledge of the German police. By means of a forged letter, purporting to come from the directors of a non-existent "Banque Turque-Persie," the conspirators induced one of the leading Munich manufacturers to supply them with 100,000 sheets of the finest watermarked paper. This item alone cost them £1,600. Plates for printing the notes and the necessary machines were obtained in Munich, Prague, and other towns.

Who supplied the funds for the equipment of the secret printing shop the defendant resolutely refused to say, just as he kept silence as to the sources from which it was proposed to finance an insurrection in Georgia and keep it going for at least six months.

When their plant was ready the defendants printed between 13,000 and 14,000 chevronet notes (the chevronet is nominally equal to £1). This first batch Karunidze described as a "trial impression." It was the intention of the defendants to produce such forgeries to the value of many millions sterling.

The falsifications were so near perfection that they were accepted without challenge by leading banks in Berlin, Munich, Frankfurt, and other large German towns. It was only after the most minute examination that the note experts of the Reichsbank succeeded in distinguishing them from genuine Bolshevik paper money.

When once their spuriousness had been discovered it was not found difficult to trace them to their source, and the defendants were arrested. That was more than two years ago.

Karunidze, who gave his evidence through an interpreter, repeatedly emphasized the patriotic character of his participation in the plot. On

**THE C.E.R. DISPUTE**

Nanking, Yesterday.  
To-day's Political Council meeting appointed Mr. Ma Teh-huei, Plenipotentiary Delegate to the Sino-Russian Conference for effecting a readjustment of the Chinese Eastern Railway. — Canton News Agency.

**JAPANESE GENERAL STAFF**

Tokyo, Yesterday.  
Owing to General Moto having declined office as Chief of General Staff, the authorities have decided to appoint General Hanzo Kanaya instead. — Reuters.

**"NOT TO SWINDLE THE FRENCH BANK"****CHINESE DEBTOR AND HIS TRANSACTIONS  
PUBLIC EXAMINATION**

His Lordship the Chief Justice, Sir Henry Collan, sat in the Bankruptcy Court yesterday afternoon to hear the public examination of Kwok Sze-lol, alias Kwoi Chun-sang, alias Wing Sik-tong.

Debtor was examined in connection with the bankruptcy of Messrs. S. H. Kwok and Company. He was 29 years of age, and was the managing partner of the debtor firm.

Capital of \$20,000.

Replying to the Official Receiver (Mr. E. L. Agassiz), debtor said he had shares in the Tai Shing paper manufactory for 25 years. He, however, sold them for \$8,580 in November last. He had to do this in order to raise the sum of \$20,000 to repay a debt to his brother-in-law. The balance was raised by mortgaging his two houses.

The Company was started in 1928 with a capital of \$20,000, of which he contributed \$10,000. In the course of business, he ordered paper from a firm in Switzerland and accepted two bills worth £2,500. These fell due on December 15, last year.

Assets Called In?  
Mr. Agassiz:—You were liable to the French Bank for £2,500 on these two and also on some others?—I deny I owed the French Bank this money because the officials told me that Biard was a substantial man and if they were referred to him he would pay.

The bank has obtained judgment for \$28,000 against you?—Yes. That is for the £2,500 on the accepted bills. The other bills are not sued on.

Debtor continued that two cargoes of paper did not arrive and he realised that he had been swindled so he wrote to the French Bank and asked them to take proceedings against Biard.

Attempts by the bench to wring from Karunidze the names of any of his accomplices not actually in court were quite fruitless; and he was ordered to stand down, and the hearing was adjourned. It is expected to last at least three weeks.

**MARITAL STRIFE****Petty Quarrels and Arguments****\* WIFE'S GRIEVANCES**

That marriage, without its petty quarrels and arguments, would not be wholly successful was the observation made by Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith yesterday afternoon in connection with the summons in which Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Soares figure for an order for separation, maintenance, and custody of their child brought against the husband.

Mr. J. T. Prior appeared for the wife, while Mr. Leo d'Almada e Castro was for the defendant.

Bertha Joana Soares again entered the witness box and continued her evidence, and made special reference to incidents which happened on separate dates last year. She stated that on December 15 her husband had a heated argument over the running of the house and the obedience of the servants to her orders. In the course of which he told her that if she was not satisfied she could go and that the door was open for that purpose. She went to her wardrobe and took out the money for the house expenses and threw it at him in anger, but it fell to the floor. Then Mr. Soares, it was alleged, put both his hands on her throat and almost choked her in an attempt to force her to pick up the money on the floor. He pressed her hard to the floor, but this was stopped by the amah who pulled Mr. Soares away from his wife.

The next day Mrs. Soares warned Mr. Soares (they were both not on speaking terms) that he was not to touch his wife or harm her and he replied, "I am the husband and I can do what I like."

Mr. Soares then became meagre in his supply of money for food, and his wife had often to do without till dinner.

After borrowing 15 cents from the amah for a bottle of milk Mr. Soares refused to pay her back and still further the witness said that there was never enough breakfast for her.

On Christmas Eve her meal was beetroot and noodles and her husband did not eat with her. Christmas Day found Mrs. Soares spending it at her mother's house all day.

On January 1 her husband promised her \$10 for pocket money but she said that that was insufficient.

Mr. Soares then got shooting and traps. What money he had left he spent on his hobby.

On January 10 her husband offered her a chair for her home prior to marriage. The single condition was that she must give up her old chair.

On January 12 the amah complained twice over Soares' wife.

On January 13 Soares' wife was ill.

On January 14 Soares' wife was ill.

On January 15 Soares' wife was ill.

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## CHURCH NOTICES

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ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL  
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Feb. 16, Septuagesima Sunday.  
Holy Communion, 8 a.m.  
Holy Communion (Peak Church),  
8 a.m.

Children's Service, 10 a.m.  
Sunday School at Peak School,  
10 a.m.  
Matins and Salve, 11 a.m.  
Preacher: The Dean.  
Holy Communion, 12.15 p.m.  
Evensong, 6 p.m.  
Preacher: Rev. R. H. V. Brougham.

Social Evening in Cathedral  
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Subject: "Soul."

The Sunday School is held on  
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Wednesday Evening Meeting at  
5.30 o'clock.

Reading Room at above address,  
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Tuesday and Friday 10 a.m. to 12  
Noon.  
Monday and Thursday 5.30 to 7  
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The Public is cordially invited  
to attend the service and visit the  
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## EXCHANGES

## TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS

On London—  
Bank, wire ..... 1/6 3/4  
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Bank, 30 days' sight ..... 1/6 1/2  
Bank, 4 months' sight ..... 1/6 1/4  
Credits, 4 months' sight ..... 1/7 1/4

Documentary, 4 months' sight ..... 1/7 1/2

On Paris—  
On demand ..... 947 1/2  
Credits, 4 months' sight ..... 1022 1/2

On Berlin—  
On demand ..... 102 1/2

On New York—  
On demand ..... 87 1/2  
Credits, 60 days' sight ..... 88 1/2

On Bombay—  
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On Singapore—  
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On Manila—  
On demand ..... 74 1/2  
On Shanghai—  
On demand ..... 78 1/2

30 days' sight (private paper) ..... —  
On Yokohama—  
On demand ..... 75 1/2  
Gold: Leaf, 100 fine (per tael) ..... —  
Sovereigns (Bank's buying rate) ..... 12.47

Silver (per oz) ..... 20.3/16  
Bar Silver in Hong Kong ..... 13 prem.

Copper: Cash ..... Nominal  
Copper: Cents ..... 8% prem.

Rate of Native Interest ..... 7% p.a.  
Chinese-Sub. Coin ..... 24 1/2% dis.  
Hong Kong Sub. Coin ..... 1/4% dis.

LONDON EXCHANGES

London, Yesterday.  
Paris ..... 124.16  
New-York ..... 436.5/32

Brussels ..... 84.89 1/2  
Geneva ..... 25.20

Amsterdam ..... 12.12 1/4  
Milan ..... 32.90

Berlin ..... 20.87  
Stockholm ..... 18.13 1/2  
Copenhagen ..... 18.16

Oslo ..... 18.20  
Vienna ..... 34.68 1/4  
Prague ..... 184 1/2

Helsingfors ..... 193 1/2  
Madrid ..... 38.87 1/2  
Lisbon ..... 108 1/2

Athens ..... 375  
Bucharest ..... 818

Rio ..... 5 15/32  
Buenos Aires ..... 42.15/16

Bombay ..... 1/5.29/82  
Shanghai ..... 171 1/2

Hong Kong ..... 1/6  
Yokohama ..... 270

Silver: 500 fine ..... 21 1/2  
Silver: 1000 fine ..... 14 1/2

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## HOME WORK DISCUSSED

Sir Henry Collan gave away the prizes at the Diocesan Girls' School yesterday afternoon in the presence of a large gathering of parents and friends of the school.

The proceedings opened with prayer and the singing of the school hymn, and included an entertainment presented by students of the school, who all acquitted themselves with credit.

Class 8 and Class 6 both presented Country Dances which were well executed and enthusiastically applauded by the audience. A choir picked from students of Classes 1 and 4, (all girls), gave a very fine rendering of the song "A Madrigal of Spring"; whilst two girls, representing Classes 5 and 6, respectively, danced a vigorous Irish Jig with an ease which spoke of painstaking coaching by the teachers.

The grand finale was the scene from "The Blue Bird", presented by a cast picked from Classes 2 and 9. The scene was a very picture sique one, the leading players, like the fairy, fire, water, and light, appearing in gorgeous, glittering costumes.

The parts were all well spoken, and the girls all acted their parts naturally. The tit bit of the scene was the fire and water dance performed by the Ho sisters, who pleased immensely.

**School Report**  
Miss H. D. Sawyer, the headmistress, read the school report as follows:

This is the 30th report of the present foundation of the Diocesan Girls' School, and in some respects it seems to me to be a record year. Not only have we reached our highest number on the roll, but also the highest average attendance.

Here there is still room for improvement and I do very earnestly ask parents to realise that leave of absence should not be asked for if it can in any way be avoided. School holidays are given generously and children ought to be discouraged from taking odd ones during term time. Last year there was no class that had a full attendance for even one month except Class 1, who in the month of June (the examination month), did manage to get a full attendance.

"There have been unavoidable changes on the staff during the year. We are glad to have Miss Bedford and Miss Wentworth back again from furlough, and we are pleased to welcome Mrs. Pearce in April, and we are sorry to hear that she will be going home shortly. We were very sorry to lose Miss Odell who had worked with us for more than two years, and our sympathy goes out to her relations and friends in their loss. Miss Heney came to us as our first certified drill mistress last term, and we were all sorry to say good-bye to her in December. I am sorry that most of the parents did not avail themselves of the invitation to a drill display given on the last day of term last year, when practically every class, I think I am right in saying almost every girl went through some exercises in a very creditable manner.

**Overwork Denied**

I wish to dwell rather on the physical instruction class because I was told last year by someone who is no longer in the Colony, that the girls are made to overwork. This is a very serious charge to make against any school and I would like to make a difference between hard work and overwork. I do expect every child here to work hard and do her best. I believe that one's school days are the days when a solid foundation for life's work should be laid—but I do not think it necessary or right that any child should be overworked or overtaxed. For this reason, I believe firmly in physical exercises given by a fully trained teacher, and so important do I think it that I put the drill classes in the morning, and the top classes have the earliest lessons. Just before their mathematics lessons, I also believe in games, and the school time-table provides for this from Classes 1 to 6, inclusive.

**Preparation School Hours**  
In order to lighten the home work, a certain amount of preparation is arranged for in school hours for every class. Next to or rather along with physical exercises, I think that growing girls need plenty of good food and plenty of sleep with fresh air, and I try to carry this out in practice with the boarders. All dormitory lights must be out by 9 p.m., except Saturday, when 10 p.m. is permitted, and no child is allowed to be down staff before 7 a.m. It is also for bedding to shut a dormitory door at 10 p.m. We have very little space among the boarders, and Dr. Abbott had little to find fault with after her very thorough examination of the school.

**The Prize Winners**  
Scriptorium—Julia Wood; Class 1: Doris Lee; Class 2: Mabel Willis; Class 3: Alice Haro; Class 4: Maime Lin; Class 5: Joyce Anderson; Class 6: Kathleen Chua; Class 7: Leslie Gregory; Class 8: Ruth Stone; Class 9a: Kitty Dedeoglu; Class 9b: Lillian Chow.

Needlework—Class 1: Mabel Willis; Class 2: Irene Lee; Class 3: Biddy Lee; Class 4: Jon Sanh; Class 5: Kathleen Chua; Class 6: Annie Woo; Class 7: Mary Lay; Class 8: Muriel Kan.

Lugard Scholarship—Stella Ho Woo; Hay-long Scholarship—Cynthia Sanh, Janet Broadbridge; Beatrice Stone.

Class Prizes—Class 1: Alice Wood; Class 2: Doris Lee; Class 3: Stella Ho; Class 4: Maime Lin; Class 5 (Remove B): Freda Lam; Class 6 (Remove A): Connie Young; Class 7: Joyce Anderson; Class 8: Ruth Stone; Class 9a: Beatrice Stone; Class 9b: Margaret Ahwee.

Trinity College of Music (70 percent)—Doris Lee (and Theory), Virginia Pao, Shellie Haro, Alice Wood (and Theory), Alice Mogra (and Theory), Winnie Smith. (and Theory).

Music Prizes (presented by Miss Stone)—Muriel Kan and Dora Chow.

Good Conduct Prize (decided on the votes of the girls only)—Alice Wood.

Royal Drawing Society's Prize (the only one in the Colony)—Ina Carvalho, for Division 2.

Preparatory Honours.—Joyce Anderson, Mary Battley, Ivy Battley, Mildred Barker, Kathleen Bolt, Evelyn Bolt, Doris Chan, Mary Chan, Lily Chang, Julian Chua, Pat Gibson Craig, Phyllis Gross, Vivienne Ho, Helen Ho, Gertrude Ho, Patricia Ho, Cissie Ip, Tamara Jex, Muriel Kan, Mary Lay, Norman Lee, Helen Lee, Maria Leitao, Violet Leung, Alice Leung, Maisie Leung, Maime Lin, Lily Lo, Hilda Prata, Angelina Ribeiro, Marie Smith, Carmen Silva (Div. 2 and 3), William Stone, Helen Wong, Annie Woo (and Div. 2), Vera Wong, Charity Wong, Joan Wong, Connie Young.

Division 1—Nancy Banker, Stella Best, Helen Bush, Beatrice Chan, Margaret Chan, Grace Clayton, Dorothy Cox; Leslie Gregory; Dorothy Hunt, Alice Hsu, Jessie Hsu, Betty Jeffries, Zena Jex, Louise Jorge, Patsy Lam, Esther Lam, Sheila Lam, Dorothy Lee (Div. 2), Teresa Leung, Evelyn Lim, Daisy Mo, Alice Mogra (Div. 2), Lorna Mok (Div. 2), Euencia Mui, Patsy Pao (Div. 2), Crispina Perpetuo, Cynthia Sanh, Lily Silva, Yolanda Silva, Clasico Silva, Irene Sun, Maisie Tilley, Pansy Tsang Hesta Woo.

Division 2—Angela Alves, Ina Carvalho, Agnes Chen, Jessie Chan, Rita Edwards (Div. 3), Iris Frith, Biddy Lee, Anse Lee, Maud Lee Lum, Maime Lin, Ida Ng, Virginia Pao, Phyllis Rathson, Marjorie Spençay, Hesta Thomson, Sophie Tsang, Gertrude White.

Division 3—Jessie Chan, Angela Hsu, Florence Ho Tung, Ivy Kan, Phoenix Kotewale, Irene Lee.

Division 4—Helen Ho, Alice Wood.

Division 5—Grace Chan, Phyllis Gittins, Doris Kotewale, Mabel Willis.

Division 6 (Pais)—Edith Wood, University of Hong Kong 100 percent (successes).—Matriculation: Grace Chan (Dist. History), Alice Wood (Dist. English and Scripture), Schlor: Mary Chan, Fanny Lee, Phyllis Gittins (Dist. Geography), Lucy Lee, Dorothy Lee, Jessie Mackenzie, Mabel Willis, Edith Wood, Junior: Marie Ayres, Angela Alves (Dist. Scripture), Rita Edwards, Doris Kotewale, Irene Lee, Irene Lee, Florence Ho Tong, Ida Ng, Virginia Pao, Cynthia Silva, Sarah Wong.

Sports Prizes—Tennis singles: Laura Lee; Tennis doubles (Class 2): Anse Lee and Gertrude White. Net-ball: Class 4.

"REBEL" ACTIVITIES

Canton, Yesterday.

In view of a small portion of the rebels having made a sortie into Kaochow and its vicinities, Chairman, Chia Ming-shu has telegraphed to the various magistrates and mayors of the south route to make daily reports herefor as to the conditions of the places under their respective jurisdiction—Canton News Agency.

**BANDIT SUPPRESSION**

Shanghai, Yesterday.

President Chiang called a military conference on February 11, with complete plans drawn up for the suppression of banditry in Kiangsi and Hunan provinces. General Chiang Tsin-wen and Chin I-tsun were to be responsible for Hupan, General Chih Hsing-tung and Wang Chung for Kiangsi, and the 2nd Naval Squadron for the Yangtze River.

Chiang Tsin-wen, Chin I-tsun and the naval force will return to the Capital—Canton News Agency.

**EXTRALITY**

Shanghai, Thursday.

According to Mr. Yew Shim, an officer of the 8th Army Route Corps at Nanking, who escorted a shipment of ammunition to Canton, it was the original plan of President Chiang Kai-shek to visit the South, as he has done from the fact that members of his units have already arrived here and reported to Chairman Chia Ming-shu, but in his stead President Chiang had called off his tour, they will return to the Capital—Canton News Agency.

**Norway Government  
Sympathetic**

Shanghai, Thursday.

According to a Shanghai wireless representative who arrived in Nanking on February 11, and interviewed Dr. C. T. Wang, the Minister of Foreign Affairs, the Norwegian government has sympathized with the Central Government on the admission of

China into the League of Nations.

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**Sport Columns**
**RUGBY FOOTBALL****Navy Unlucky Against the Club**

With a very depleted team the Navy were unfortunate not to defeat the Club yesterday afternoon at Happy Valley. Soon after the kick off, a fine movement by the Navy threes gave Evans the ball, and, eluding several of the opposition he opened up the scoring for the Navy. Goal points were not added. Divett equalised for the Club some minutes later, a fine pass from Mussey enabling him to cross. This play was also unanswered.

Good work by the Club defence was all that prevented the Navy adding further points till a nice intercepting movement by Churchill gave the ball to Lammer for the latter to increase the Club's score after a splendid run. The Navy retaliated soon after, masterly passing ending in Smallwood getting over near the flag. Padden failed in a difficult kick. The Club pressed and good work by Divett and Bonnar gave them the lead again, through West. Divett did not add goal points. Churchill was playing a sterling game, repeatedly foiling the Navy's attempts to score. Bailey almost got over but Mussey brought him down on the line. Atkinson, however, managed to secure and grased the ball, thus making scores even.

No further scoring took place in the second half, the Navy being responsible for most of the attacking but lacking the final effort. Play finished three tries all.

**Harlequins Beaten at Birkenhead**

Played at Birkenhead in fine weather, on a soft ground Birkenhead Park beat the Harlequins by 16 pts. to 3 pts. The Harlequins played Hamilton-Wickets and Worton, but started short, through the non-arrival of Prescott. The Park were superior in the first quarter of an hour. Wilson and Law scored tries, which Richardson failed to convert. After Prescott's arrival the Harlequins were the better team, but they lost many chances to score.

Park scored in the first minute of the second half, Gibson taking Roberts' pass and Wilkin converted. Nearing the end, Bankley got over for the Harlequins, but failed to convert. Birkenhead were a splendid side at the close. Bradner ran with great pace for a try, and Wilkins converted.

**HOCKEY****Gunners Defeat Club "A" Team**

In a hockey match played on the Marina Ground yesterday afternoon, the Hong Kong and Singapore Brigade, R.A., defeated the Hockey Club "A" team by 4-1.

**Forthcoming Matches**  
The following will represent the Kowloon Indians' hockey team against the K.B.S.F.P.A. on Monday at 5.15 p.m. sharp at King's Park ground:-

**Surjan Singh, Joginder Singh, Khush Mohammed, Kalwant Singh, Mohinder Singh, Ferdon Khan, Avtar Singh (Captain), Gurbachan Singh, Attar Singh, Ajit Singh, Karnail Singh.**

**Reserves:** Atma Singh, M. A. Khan.

**Club v. Navy in Sim Shield**  
The following will represent the Hong Kong Hockey Club in their Sim Shield match with the Navy on the U.S.R.C. ground at 4.30 p.m. on Wednesday:-

**C. L. Gregory, W. Woodward, J. Rodger, E. J. R. Mitchell, A. A. Dand (Captain), J. E. Noronha, H. Owen Hughes, G. E. R. Divett, C. C. Francis, M. G. Marriott and T. J. Price.**

**GOLF****Starting Times For To-morrow**

The Royal Hong Kong Golf Club notifies the following starting times for to-morrow:-

9.16 a.m. C. B. Riggs, J. Morris.  
9.28 W. J. S. Key, G. B. S. Thomson.  
9.32 J. Fleming, A. Ritchie.  
9.36 K. S. Robertson, D. S. Edward.  
9.40 A. W. H. Edie, D. Ellis.  
9.44 L. G. S. Dodwell, H. U. Ireland.  
9.48 C. E. Holmes, J. W. Robertson.  
9.52 W. C. Clark, S. S. Perry.  
9.56 A. G. Coppin, H. C. Shrubsole.  
10.00 R. K. Valentine, H. Spicer.  
10.04 J. P. Warren, J. H. Little.  
10.08 E. M. Bryden, G. Davidson.  
10.12 T. G. Bennett, F. A. Redmond.  
10.16 W. S. Hillier, J. Jones.  
10.20 J. N. Grant, H. Hampton.  
10.24 A. C. I. Bowker, J. R. Hinton.  
10.28 A. D. Humphreys, C. C. Roberts.  
10.32 F. M. Ellis, R. P. Moodie.  
10.36 E. Des Voeux, O. Enger.  
10.40 E. Lewis, C. Thwaites.  
10.44 M. H. Turner, A. E. Raworth.  
10.48 J. S. Drummond, D. J. Gilmore.  
10.52 I. H. Geare, A. E. Lissaman.  
10.56 L. Yates, J. A. Bloemfield.  
11.00 G. E. Ellams, J. Coulthart.  
11.04 G. W. Sellars, T. S. Whyte-Smith.  
11.08 D. Kern, B. J. Lacon.  
11.12 A. Anderson, A. O. Brown.  
11.16 A. Leach, F. H. Crapnell.  
11.20 R. K. Hepburn, E. D. Lawrence.  
11.24 L. H. Ruffin, C. M. Gee.  
11.28 D. S. Robb, J. Forbes.  
11.32 A. B. Purves, N. K. Littlejohn.  
11.36 K. R. Rounds, O. D. Brown.  
11.40 H. A. Lammert, B. D. Evans.  
11.14 W. A. Stewart, J. Harrop.  
11.48 N. M. Currie, W. L. Alexander.  
11.52 S. A. Seth, J. S. Dykes.  
11.56 W. A. Weight, A. R. Cox.

The usual Sunday train services will be available.

**BOXING****Scott and Sharkey to Meet Soon**

That Phil Scott's American manager, Mr. Jimmy Johnston, is now willing to permit the British champion to box Jack Sharkey at Miami, Florida, next month, the winner to meet Max Schmeling, of Germany, for the world's heavy-weight title, is the latest announcement from New York on this much-discussed subject.

It is not to the liking, however, of Mr. Charles Rose, Scott's English manager.

"Nothing is arranged up to the present for Scott to meet Sharkey," he said. "Negotiations to that end are taking place, but if the men meet I shall insist that the world's heavy-weight championship be at stake."

Max Schmeling has done nothing to warrant him having a fight either with Scott or Sharkey, and he has no right, in my opinion, to box for the world's title."

**Our Sports Diary****LOCAL**

Tennis — Tournament at H.K.C.C. daily except Sundays.

Football — To-day — Shield Competition, Senior, Royal Artillery v. South China; Police v. Kowloon; Club v. Navy; Chinese Athletic v. Somersets; Junior, Kowloon v. Chinese "A"; Somersets v. South China, Club v. Eastern; Chinese Ath. "B" v. Ewo.

Cricket — To-day — Division I: C.S.C.C. v. Royal Navy; Kowloon C.C. v. H.K.C.C.; University v. Army; Division II: R.E. & S. v. R.A.O.C.; H.K.C.C. v. Craignawer C.C.; Recreio v. University; Friendly: C.S.C.C. II. v. R.A.S.C.

To-morrow — Combined League v. K.C.C. Kowloon C.C. ground, 11 a.m.; Craignawer C.C. v. Volunteers, 11 a.m.

Hockey — To-day — Kowloon Ladies v. Club de Recreio, 3 p.m.

To-morrow — Club de Recreio v. Royal Air Force, 10.15 a.m.

Monday — Kowloon Indians v. K.R.S.F.P.A., 15 p.m.

Wednesday — Hockey Club v. Navy, 4.30 p.m. (Sm Shield).

Athletics — To-day — Central British School Sports, 2 p.m.; annual Hong Kong Marathon, 3 p.m.

Fanling Hunt — To-morrow — Inter-port Meeting at Canton, and Hounds Meet, Kwanti Race Course, 3 p.m.

Chess — Tuesday — C. M. Sequeira v. J. S. Smith; S. G. Hayes v. D. E. Carvalho; G. Woudenberg v. E. Soltau; H. W. Randall v. Sir Henry Follock.

Racing — Hong Kong Jockey Club — February 22, 24, 25, 26 and March 1. First Day, 2 p.m.; other days, noon.

**HOME**

Football — To-day — Wales v. England (Amateur); English Cup and Scottish Cup ties.

February 22 — Scotland v. Ireland.

Rugby Football — February 22 — England v. France, Twickenham; Scotland v. Ireland, Edinburgh.

Billiards — February 21 to March 29 — Amateur Championship, London.

**CRICKET****Local Teams To-day and To-morrow**

To-day v. H.K.C.C. (League):—

W. Brace (Captain), E. C. Fincher, E. F. Fincher, F. Goodwin, N. H. Ross, F. Zimmern, D. Liang, F. E. Lawrence, A. T. Lee, A. W. Ramsay, and S. Jex.

To-morrow (11 a.m.) v. Combined League:—E. C. Fincher (Captain), E. F. Fincher, F. Goodwin, N. H. Ross, F. Zimmern, F. S. W. Smith, F. E. Lawrence, A. T. Lee, G. A. V. Hall, S. Jex, and W. C. Hung.

**Combined League**

The following have been selected to play for the Combined League to-morrow on the Kowloon Cricket Club ground commencing at 11 a.m.:—

G. R. Sayer (Captain), F. C. Baker, E. B. Reed, A. H. Madar, W. A. H. Maxwell, E. W. Hamilton, F. H. Holdman, D. J. N. Anderson, A. A. Rumjahn, Tsui Wai-piu and E. A. Lee.

**Navy v. C.S.C.C.**

The following will represent the Royal Navy in a League match versus the Civil Service on the latter's ground at Happy Valley to-day, commencing at 2 p.m.:—

Vice-Admiral Sir A. K. Walstall, Comdr. F. C. Baker, Lieut. G. Cobb, Lieut. Sub. Lieut. P. C. Mosely, Midshipman J. L. Rathbone, Stoker S. Ticehurst, A. N. Other.

Scorer: L.S.A. Cook.

**VOLUNTEER PROMOTIONS**

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**TENNIS****M. K. Lo Gets a Shock in Tournament**

J. A. E. Casumboy gave M. K. Lo shock in the first round of the Open Championship Singles at the Hong Kong Cricket yesterday.

At one time Lo was actually in danger of defeat, after his opponent had taken the third set 6-0 and led 3-1 in the next. Lo was very tired hereabouts, but fell back on his greater experience and managed to pull the match out of the fire.

M. W. Lo beat Luk Kang-cheung comfortably in straight sets, the latter being outplayed.

Results in detail were:—

Open Championship Singles. First Round

M. W. Lo beat Luk Kang-cheung, 6-0, 6-0, 6-2.

E. W. Liang beat T. C. Monaghan, 9-7, 6-2, 5-7, 6-0.

M. K. Lo beat J. A. E. Casumboy, 6-2, 6-0, 0-6, 6-4.

S. A. Rumjahn beat A. D. Humphreys, 6-3, 6-3, 6-4.

Open Championship Doubles. First Round

Ho Wai-hing and Chiu Tsun-chiu beat D. S. and S. E. Green, 6-4, 6-3, 6-3.

Club Championship First Round

A. L. Sullivan beat D. M. Macdougall, 6-2, 6-3.

Handicap Singles "A" First Round

H. J. Armstrong (4-6) beat O. E. C. Marton (2-6), 6-0, 6-2.

Handicap Doubles First Round

H. Mijhoff and H. Le Sueur (scr.) beat T. J. Prior and G. S. Hugh Jones (2/6), 6-4, 7-5.

The ground is being used for cricket to-day, but the tournament will be continued on Monday.

**CHINESE STRIFE****Chiang Called on to Abdicate****CHALLENGE TO NANKING**

Peking, Yesterday.

Shansi papers print the text of a telegram from Yen Hsi-shan to Chiang Kai-shek. It refers to the present conditions throughout China, and the internal strife resulting in the "military comrades of the Kuomintang, all of whom are disciples of Sun Yat-sen," killing

detective-Sergeant Fowle stated that the defendant lodged with the complainant and had a bed space rented to him. Yesterday forenoon the woman went out and left her grandson in charge of the house, the defendant at the time being asleep. However, when she returned she found that these valuables were missing, and at once suspected defendant. On search, carried out by the police, the bangles were found in his rattan basket. The defendant was finally arrested in Battery Street. It was then discovered that the defendant had pawned the rings for \$4, but was willing to borrow \$3 to have them redeemed for the complainant.

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It goes on to express doubt as to the efficacy of achieving unification by military force, and reminds Chiang Kai-shek of his frequent statements that he will retire, and calls on him to "abdicate his seat," whereupon Yen will follow suit.

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Will Not Resign

Nanking, Yesterday.

Marshal Chiang Kai-shek, interviewed to-day, acknowledged the receipt of Marshal Yen Hsi-shan's telegram but stated, emphatically he would not resign, but on the contrary he would make every effort completely to suppress all reactionary elements throughout China.

It is considered here that this strong statement is of far-reaching importance in the immediate political developments.—Reuter.

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**JUST UNPACKED****PEDIGREE PRAMS**

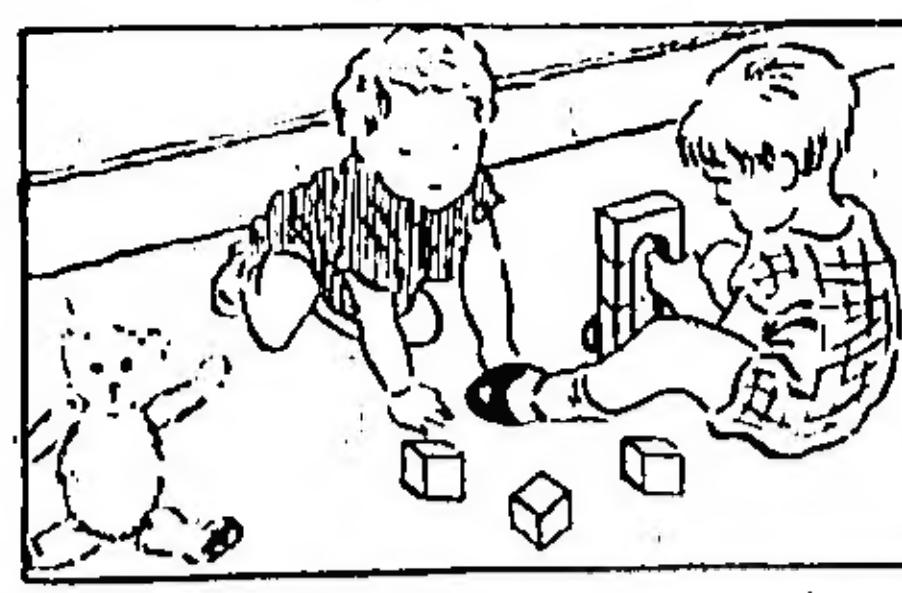
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## CHILDREN'S CORNER

### THE FIRST DAISY

Very slowly down in its grassy bed the little daisy opened out its snow-white petals and smiled up at the sun from its golden eye.

"Where are all the other daisies?" it called, looking round over the green grass.

"They are all waiting for someone to be the first; you will soon have plenty of companions," cried the lark as it went high up in the sky.

When the sun went down the little daisy closed its petals, feeling very lonely, but the next morning when she opened her eyes there all round her were even so many smiling daisy faces. "The lark has wakened us up," they cried, "and now you won't be lonely any more."

The daisy smiled at everyone who passed by, and people said: "Look, spring has come; you can place your foot on 12 daisies at once!"

But they did not, because everyone loves the trusting, innocent, wide-eyed daisy. So the lonely daisy went on smiling up at all the passers-by.

### A PRETTY TIN TRAY

A pretty little tray for odds and ends can be made from picture postcards. Select eight pretty postcards and obtain four pieces of thin glass the same size as the postcards, and a square piece of cardboard with sides as long as the postcards. You will also require a length of narrow ribbon. Take two of the postcards, place them back to back, place a piece of glass over the one you desire to show outside, and bind the three together with the ribbon, doing so by stitching tightly at the corners. Make four of these sides, and then stitch them together in the form of a square, the glass showing outside. Cover the cardboard with material to match the ribbon. Sew it into place for the bottom of the tray and you will find you have made a delightful little present for mother or auntie at little cost.



### The "Old Scout's" Column.

Colonel G. Walton "Chief's" (overseas commission) Visit to India has informed the Australia Australian Press Association that Sir Alfred Pickford had been in conference with Lord Baden-Powell and Lady Baden-Powell to finalise the itinerary for an Australasian tour. "I did not believe," he said, "that any man of 78 years of age could take up so enthusiastically a vast Antipodean tour. I do not think the Australians will ever fully realise the tremendously fine impression the Jamboree contingent made. If those 200 boys are typical, then, it must be agreed that Australia boasts of 100 per cent. youths."

Lady Baden-Powell was first invited, "Luggage" whereupon the Chief declared, "Excellent. I will come as luggage." Then the chief was invited, and said he would be most happy to accept. It is expected that the party will tour from Perth eastwards. The world-famed hospitality of the Australians makes the tour appear terrifying, but the chief is anticipating a great adventure with a boy-like thrill. He expects to be absent about six months. He is packing up his fishing rod. "I am taking my golf clubs," he said, "but I do not expect to play," though the chief is determined to fish whilst in Australasia. Colonel Walton is to meet the executives in conference, with the object of obtaining closer co-operation in Empire scouting and investigating migration and settlement.

The Secretary of State for India paid compliment to the influence for cause of the Boy Scouts, the other

### FOR TINY TOTS

#### Father's Failure

Robert, who had been absent from school, brought no note in explanation.

"But why have you brought no note?" asked the teacher.

"Mother was too busy with spring cleaning, sir," came the reply.

"But father should have written, then," suggested the teacher.

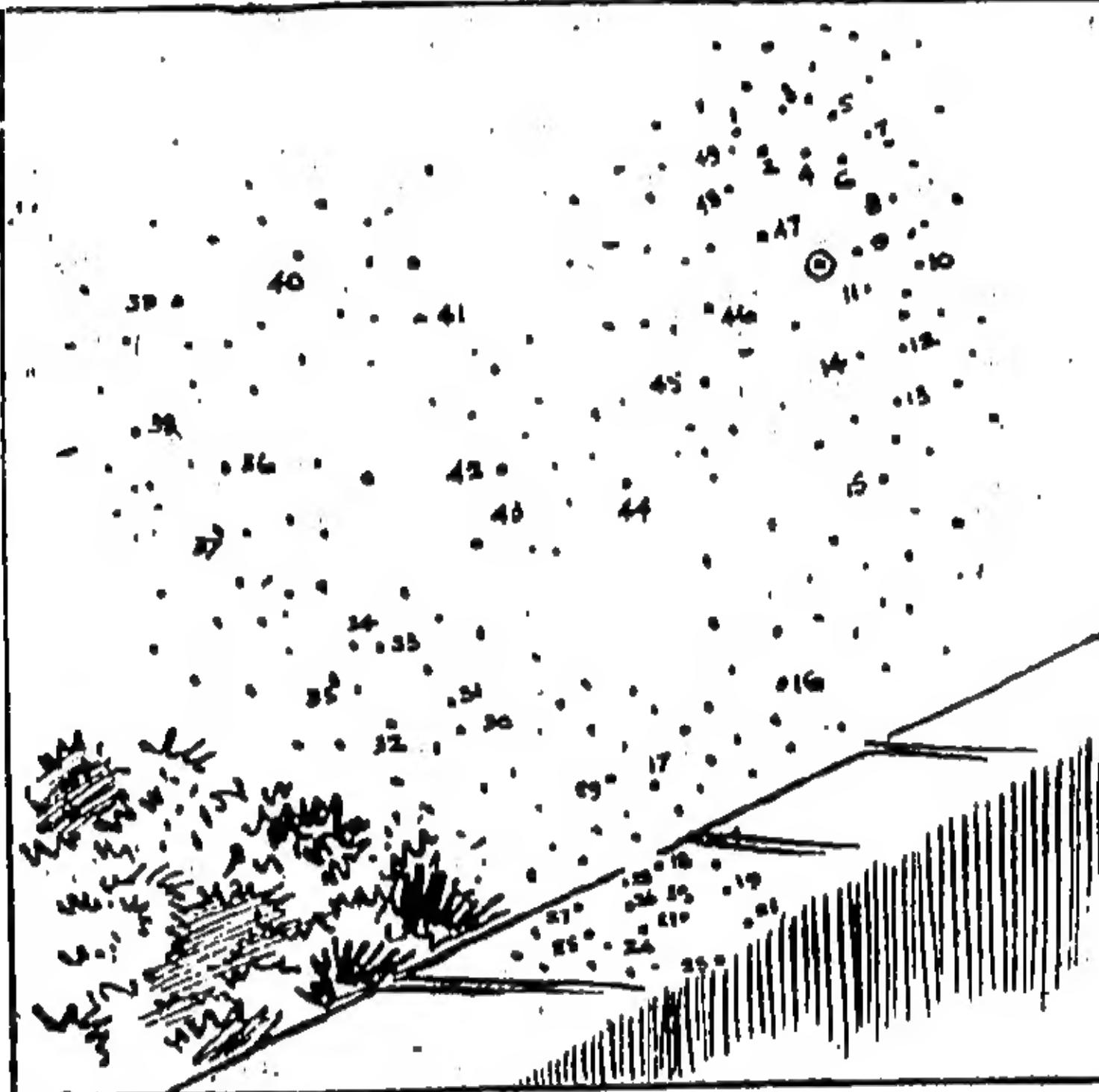
"Oh, he's no good at excuses, sir. Mother finds him out," came the frank answer.

#### Accumulative

"What," asked the teacher, of one of her pupils, "do we mean by the word 'plural'?"

Pupil: "By the plural of a word we mean the same thing, only more of it."

### OUR FARMYARD PUZZLE



Here is a picture of a certain bird, a popular member of the farmyard. To discover what it is, draw a straight line from the numbered dot to the second numbered dot and so on in order, stating at No. 1 and finishing with No. 49.

### LEPER BOYS & GIRLS IN SCOUT WORK

#### GREAT INTEREST AND ENTHUSIASM SHOWN

#### A WONDERFUL CHANGE

(Continued from Last Week.)

At Cebu Scout troop was formed which is now known officially as Troop No. 112. A company of Camp Fire Girls was started and is now known as "Sunshine Camp, Camp Fire Girls." Registration of this camp with the National Headquarters has been requested, but they are without charter at present.

Dr. Juan de Goitia, district health officer of Iloilo, having heard of the work which these two organizations were accomplishing, requested that if possible I take the necessary steps to establish units at the Western Visayas Treatment Station, located at Sta. Barbara, Iloilo. To comply with his wishes I requested the transfer of Scoutmaster Tomás Gomez, Jr., to that place. He was transferred from the San Lazarus Hospital about three months ago and he has succeeded in organizing a troop of Camp Fire Girls, who due to great efforts were able in two weeks time to take part in the Rizal Day exercises, and, what is more, in full uniform.

Uniforms for these boys and girls have always been a serious problem. Appeals to the chiefs of the leper colonies met with very little response, their answer being, "that there are no funds for that purpose." At present, however, it is not necessary to "beg" for the necessary cloth. All that is required is that the district health officer make out the necessary requisition and the cloth is immediately forthcoming.

Clean, Upright Living  
Why, might I ask, is this wonderful change on the part of the health officials? Why is it that no reasonable request for the Boy Scouts and the Camp Fire Girls at the leper camps is ever turned down? What have they done to merit this consideration? Permit me to explain:

The health authorities have noted how these young boys and girls, now duly organized, having rules and regulations as well as laws and oaths, have set an example in clean, upright living, adhering strictly to the rules and regulations laid down by the directors of

#### EAT MORE FRUIT

Farmer Burney's orchard was a source of great temptation to the boys at Welton School. Autumn had arrived, the apples were ripe and the low wall between the playground and Burney's land proved no obstacle to the pupils in their efforts to reach the coveted fruit.

For some time the farmer's watchful eyes failed to detect the elusive Jimmy Done who, with bulging pockets, entered the school premises nightly after a tour amongst the apple trees.

Jimmy's good fortune, however, came to an abrupt end. He was caught at last, the headmaster was informed of the boy's misconduct and, as a punishment, the culprit was set the task of writing one hundred original lines.

Half an hour later he was knocking at the door of the headmaster's room. In response to the stern "Come in" he entered and, timidly approaching the austere gentleman at the desk, handed him two sheets of foolscap.

A frown which clouded the schoolmaster's face rapidly changed to a good-humoured smile as his eyes fell upon the boy's writing. In neatly executed penmanship the words that met his gaze were "Eat More Fruit."

#### KING BABY

King Baby, heir to all the coming years,

The future ruler in a thousand spheres;

On thee the wisdom of the past descends,

For thee to use and mould to noble ends;

Thou art the comicer of a regal race,

An heritage no time can e'er efface.

And thus full conscious of the vision fair,

We stoop to bless, and give thee tender care.

Not ours the power to give thee wealth or fame,

Nor grant the promise of a famous name;

But we can guard the health (the prize of life)

To fit thee for the struggle and the strife.

To make the road less rugged, and

Less hard to climb, before life's

Twilight creeps.

And thy fond mother's, ours the joyful task

To give the wisdom only mothers

ask.

The pure solicitude of heart and mind,

That joys in love, and loves in being kind.

We ask no other praise than year

by year

A stronger race should in our land appear,

A race made virile by a noble creed.

To give of health, and share another's need.

#### Most Unfair

"What is the matter?" mother asked Of her sobbing little lad.

"Daddy's gone to the dentist, mum."

And it makes me feel so sad!"

"Why, yes," she said, "but he won't be hurt."

So, darling, don't be afraid.

His old false teeth have worn out,

you see,

And he's having some new ones made."

"I know! I know!" was the fierce reply.

"That's the trouble; can't you see?

'Cos everything that daddy wears out

Is always cut down for me!"

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Full reports are given of the interport golf match, which Hong Kong won in convincing manner. The Football Association has had a lively meeting in regard to the question of control of the game. The usual week-end cricket is given due prominence, which may be said of the other sports fixtures.

In the legal world interest has centred on the decision in what is known as the "Diamonds Case" which concerns a claim against a Bank for a parcel of diamonds, lost in the Bank. The judgment of the Chief Justice is a most interesting one. At the Magistracy the trial has begun of so-called pirates' agents, who are arraigned on charges connected with alleged negotiations for the ransom of one of the victims of Del Maru piracy.

The report has been published of the Star Ferry Company, whilst the annual meeting has been held of the Land Investment and Agency Co.—all will be found in the Overland China Mail.

Letters to relatives and friends in other parts of the world frequently fail to be written even by the most ardent correspondents. It is a kindly thought, therefore, to ensure that those away from the Colony, or folks at home, should have an unfailing supply of Hong Kong and China news every week—by means of a subscription to the Overland China Mail.

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### Professor's Interesting Brochure

#### ON POISONS

[“Poisons,” by J. T. J. Morrison, M.A., M.Sc., M.B., F.R.C.S., Professor of Forensic Medicine and Toxicology in the University of Birmingham; Benn’s Sixpenny Library, London.]

This excellent little book gives a very graphic description of poisons, dealing with the historical aspect; how they act; the symptoms and treatment; the corrosives; arsenic and other inorganic irritants; vegetable poisons; alcohol and carbon compounds; gaseous poisons; food poisons; together with an appendix and bibliography.

Dr. Morrison says that in the popular sense a poison is a substance which is capable, in small doses of harmful or deadly effects; but there are recognised poisons which are only fatal in large doses, and after all, the question of large or small is relative. Orsilia is quoted as having said in A.D. 1814, “Of all the branches of medicine, the study of toxicology is that which excites the most general interest. The naturalist examines the varied forms of poisons and arrives at a method of pointing them out. The physiologist seeks to explain their mode of action. The physician directs his attention to the search of means capable of destroying their action. The chemist brings to perfection the process necessary to enlighten the magistrate whose duty it is to punish the guilty. The private individual is fond of discoursing on the properties of poisons; he never ceases to deplore the fate of the victims of negligence or mistake, and to feel for the unhappy wretches whom despair has hurried on to suicide; incensed

at the most cowardly of crimes, he regards with horror the execrable assassin, and loudly demands his punishment.”

This brochure is well worth reading, containing a mine of information, and should not be missed. This is one of two hundred publications in this series.

#### MR. OPPENHEIM'S LATEST

[“The Glenlitten Murder,” by E. Phillips Oppenheim; Messrs. Hodder & Stoughton; 7/6 net.]

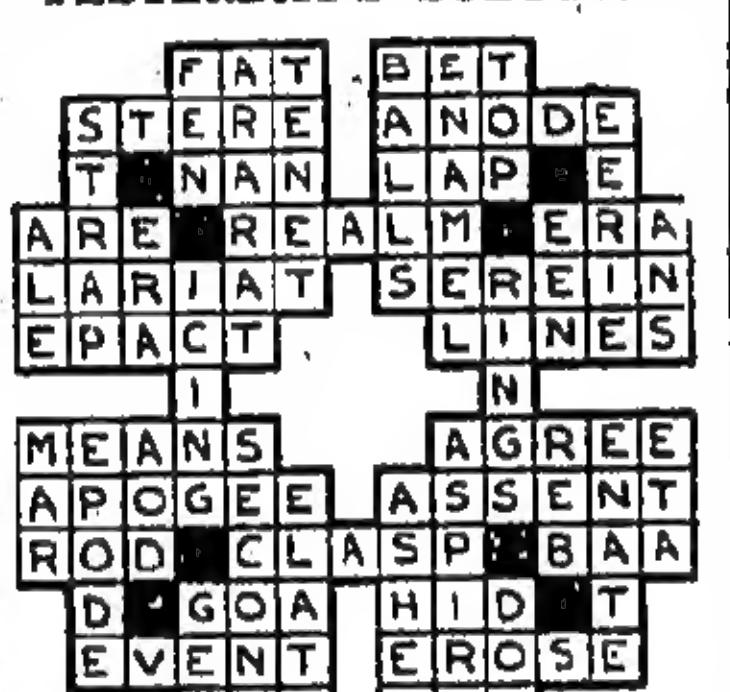
If you use the correct ingredients every time, and the same amount of them, you will find that your cookery produces very much the same sort of pudding every time. But Oppenheim's cookery is so skillful that, with pretty much the same ingredients, he manages to produce novel after novel with regularity, and yet to retain a distinct margin of change between the lot of them. We have always considered that any one who can read more than one of P. C. Wodehouse's books in six months has the mentality of a moron or an M.P. But one can comfortably read three or four of Mr. Oppenheim's in that period.

The “Glenlitten Murder” at first made me think that Mr. Oppenheim had used an extra large amount of an ingredient, of which he is seldom prodigal,—a murder mystery. And this the author can handle as well as anyone. But more was to come. There was, of course, the jewel mystery, and there was—but we are not going to spoil the story for our readers. Suffice it to say that the plot takes a most unexpected turn and the denouement is as startling as it is satisfactory.

Mr. Phillip Oppenheim has been turning out novels regularly for at least thirty years, for it must have been about 1900 that we first read, and were fascinated by “Mysterious Mr. Sabin.” Recently we have tried to analyse the peculiarly elusive yet pleasant *je ne sais quoi* which stamps all his writings. It is probably a certain quaint trick of diction, or perhaps, to narrow it closer, a trick of the arrangement and punctuation of his sentences. For where the average man would have written “I have never heard one friend so eloquent before,” said his neighbour, “I have never before” his neighbour declared, “heard our friend so eloquent.” And he has a marvellous number of ways of phrasing “said he,” “said she”—those bugbears of the budding novelist. Justus Miles Forman had a somewhat similar trick of stamping personality on his work by little conceits of diction.

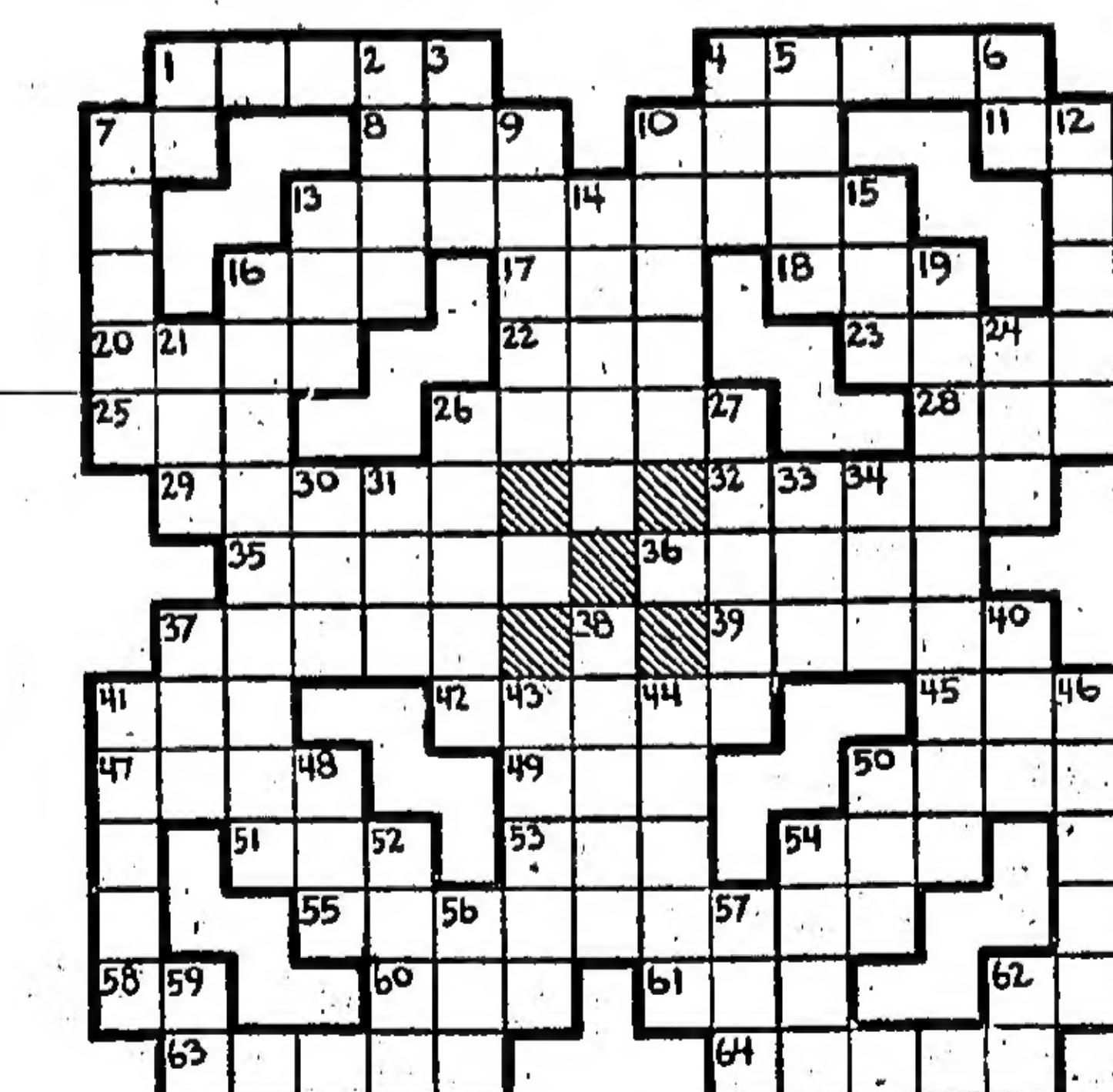
But perhaps instead of reading all this our readers had better buy the book and find out, for themselves. They will be sure of a thorough treat.

#### YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION



#### DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as *horbor*, *plow*, and *altho*.)



#### HORIZONTAL

1—Embrace firmly  
4—Teach  
7—Musical note  
8—Even (contr.)  
10—A church official (abbr.)  
11—Upon  
12—Permit  
16—Male descendant  
20—Aspire  
22—Child's hat  
23—Requires  
25—Salt (Latin)  
26—The Mohammedan religion  
28—Happy  
29—Harvests  
32—Man's name  
35—More precious  
36—Momentum  
37—Pester  
38—Concerning to India  
39—Deep hole  
42—Urgent  
45—Cordial  
47—Intemperate  
48—Irregular (abbr.)  
50—Peculiar

#### HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

51—Rest  
52—Girl's name  
54—To talk nonsense  
55—In Biblical use, a covenant  
56—Prayed that (abbr.)  
60—Obedience  
61—Mineral springs  
62—Exclamation expressing triumph  
63—Obey  
64—A kingdom of Europe  
65—Rambles  
67—Young hog  
68—The earth (Latin)  
69—Companion of the Order of the Indian Empire (abbr.)  
71—Attendant to royalty  
72—Upstarts  
73—Crowds  
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79—A gay  
80—Being in want  
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83—Arab  
84—Cooking mode

85—Photographic plates  
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#### VERTICAL (Cont.)

1—Depart  
2—Observed  
3—A small enclosure  
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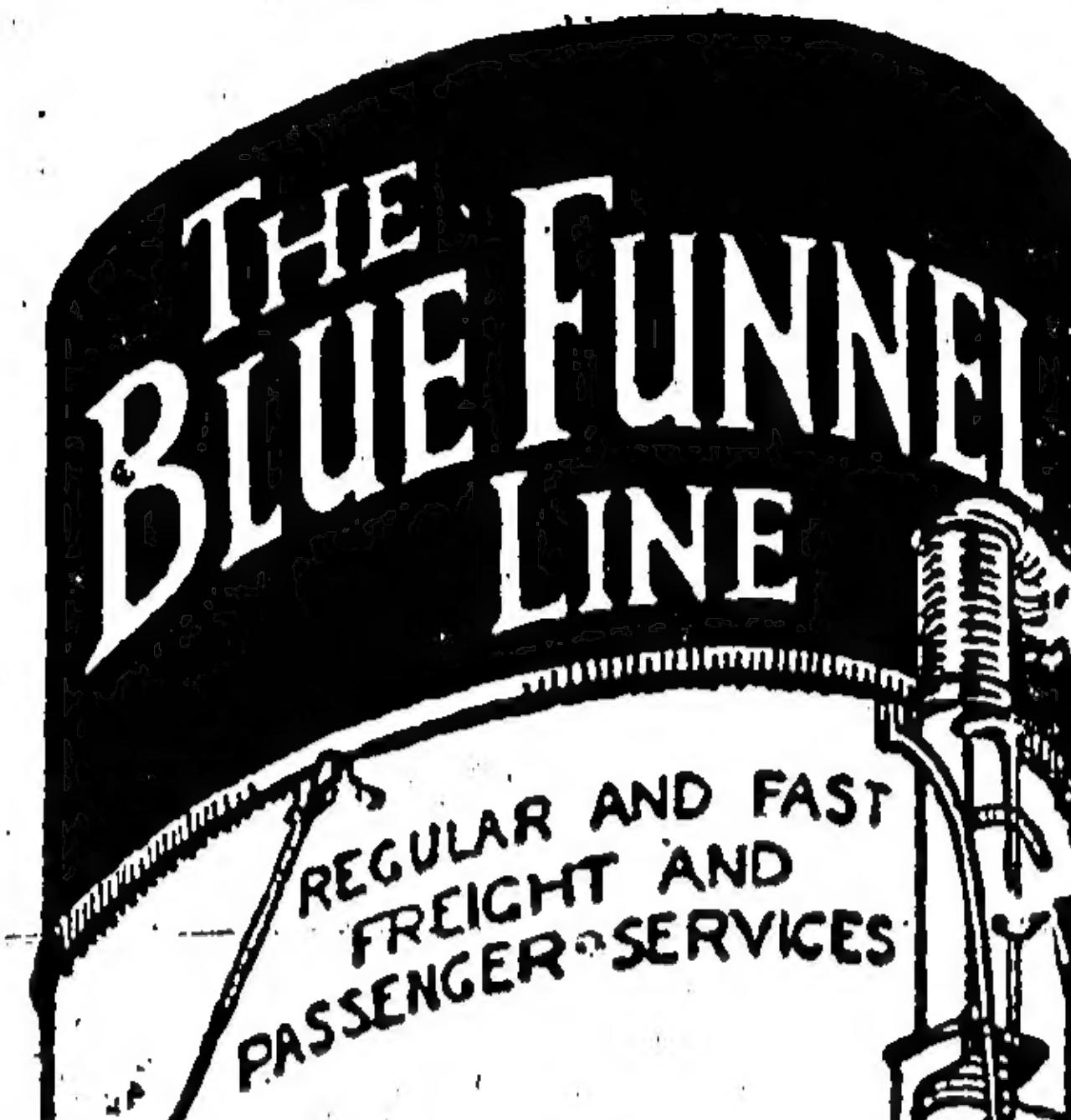
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Sunday, FEBRUARY	16.	
Straits	Yunsang	
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Monday, FEBRUARY	17.	
Java	Open Noot	
Shanghai	Alderamin	
Japan	Shinjo Maru	
Manila	President Lincoln	
Shanghai and Europe via Siberia (London, January 28)	Cheong Shing	
Tuesday, FEBRUARY	18.	
Shanghai and Amoy	Tjikarang	
Shanghai	Hector	
Japan	Kaga Maru	
Wednesday, FEBRUARY	19.	
Straits	Cremer	
Java	Tjibadak	
Thursday, FEBRUARY	20.	
Australia and Manila	Tango Maru	
Friday, FEBRUARY	21.	
Japan and Shanghai	Kitano Maru	

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For	To	Per
Saturday, FEBRUARY	16.	
Iloilo	Springbank	1.30 p.m.
Saigon	Telemachus	3.30 p.m.
Sam Shui and Wuchow	Fook On	4 p.m.
Manila	President Cleveland	4.30 p.m.
Wei Hai Wei	Chian Lee	5 p.m.
Amoy	Anhui	5 p.m.
Sunday, FEBRUARY	16.	
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Canton Maru	9 a.m.
Bangkok via Swatow	Kalgan	9 a.m.
Sam Shui and Wuchow	Tai Hing	11 a.m.
MONDAY, FEBRUARY	17.	
Shanghai	Katori Maru	10.30 a.m.
Swatow	Hydrangen	2.30 p.m.
Manila	Alderamin	3.30 p.m.
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The words in many instances, such as in Orlando Gibbons' exquisite madrigal beginning "The silver swan, who, living had no note," are equally as lovely as the music, and the leader of the sextette, Mr. Cuthbert Kelly, was wise to recite to us the words before they were sung, since his speaking voice is almost as delightful as his singing voice. He explained that it was customary in the great houses of the Elizabethans for the people of the house, assisted by the servants, to assemble in the banqueting hall after supper, and to produce their music books just as a modern family might produce the bridge table. This domestic music is typical of the English character, which is redolent in every one of the songs, although some of the audience may possibly have felt that the artificial folk songs arranged by Dr. Vaughan Williams from crude but quaintier material, such as the old sea shanties, were a trifle out of harmony with the pristine loveliness of "Softly Singing Lute," (Francis Pilkington), "Though Amaryllis Dance in Green," and the mystical "Av Verum Corpus, Natura de Maria Virgine," (both by William Byrd). It was an enchanting evening, and the English Singers are to be deeply thanked for coming so far round the globe to bring an essential part of England to its exiles.

—R. S.

## SPAIN SEETHING IN REVOLT

### VEHEMENT ATTACKS BY PARTY LEADERS ON THE KING

#### WARLIKE CROWDS

Madrid, Yesterday. Vehement attacks on King Alfonso, coupled with the prevalent industrial disputes, are enhancing the difficulties facing General Berenguer in his task of "leading back the country to constitutional methods."

The only definite fact emerging from the very confused political situation is that the Socialists are at present the only organised party. Moreover, they are in a fighting mood and the criticisms which they previously levelled against De Rivera are now directed against the King. Public opinion is excited at the revelations of the alleged abuses, maladministration and spendthrift habits of the dictatorship. The older parties are endeavouring to reorganise, but are handicapped by lack of leaders. The stage is at present held by Unanumo and Lerroux, Liberal and Republican leaders respectively, who are making virulent diatribes against the King.

The Government has instructed the Madrid Municipality to speed up the public works and absorb the unemployed, in the hope of preventing further disturbances. The police at Barcelona last night dispersed warlike crowds who stood and sacked the headquarters of the Patriotic Union.—Renter.

## KING & QUEEN BACK IN LONDON

### PRIVY COUNCIL & INVESTITURES TO BE HELD

#### INDUSTRIES FAIR

Madrid, Yesterday. Their Majesties, the King and Queen will arrive in London tomorrow from Sandringham. Their Majesties will take up residence at Buckingham Palace for an indefinite period, during which the King will hold a Privy Council and two investitures, besides conducting a great deal of State business and receiving distinguished visitors from time to time.

Among the Queen's public engagements will be a visit next Tuesday to the British Industries Fair, which opens on the previous day. Her Majesty has paid frequent visits to the Fair since it was inaugurated.—British Wireless Service.

### WOOL MARKETING SCHEME

Rugby, Yesterday. It was announced at a meeting of farmers at Leeds that the Government was prepared to assist a wool marketing scheme by loan of £3,000 a year for a term of years without interest if wool growers would contribute £5,000.—British Wireless.

### TRINITY COLLEGE OF MUSIC

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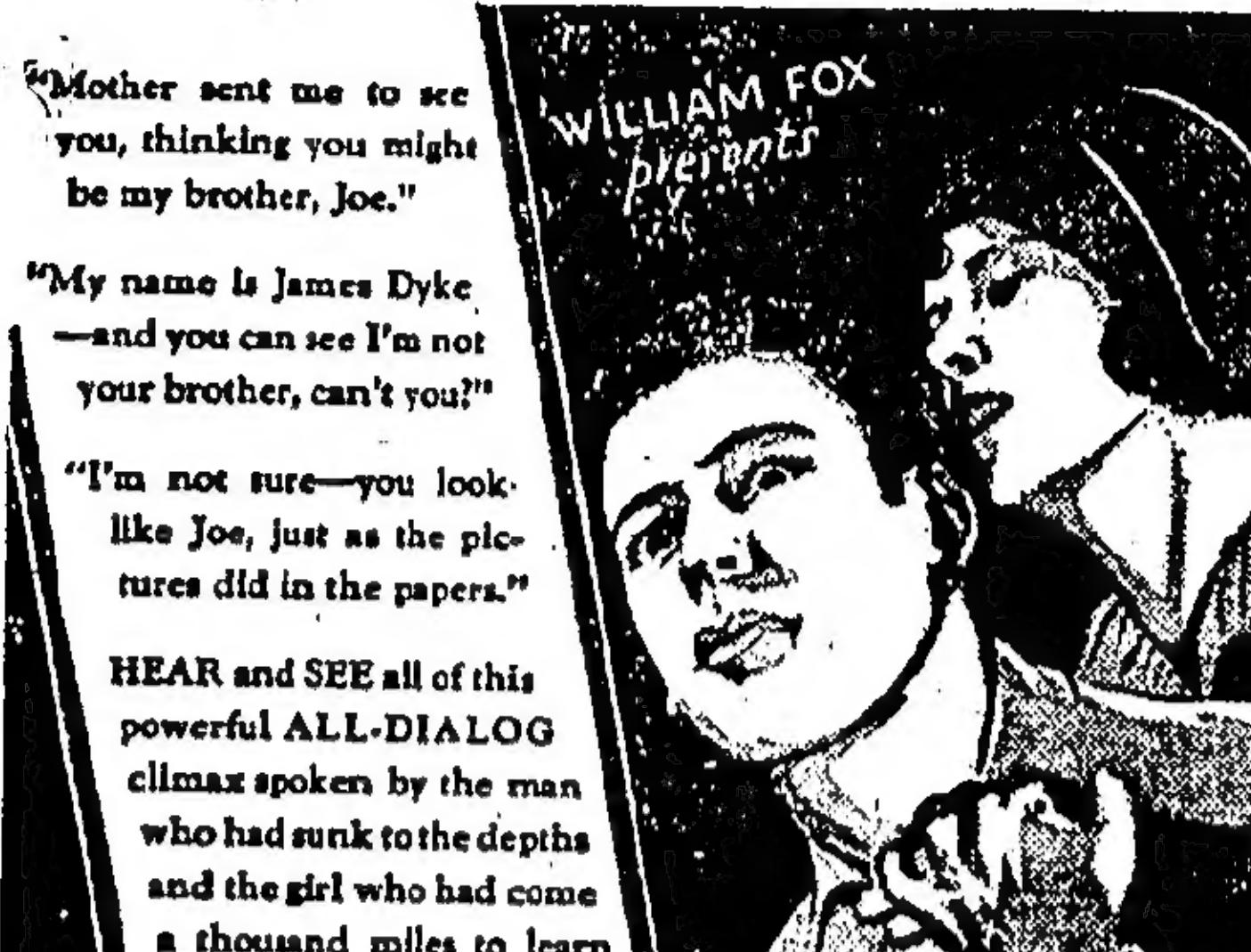
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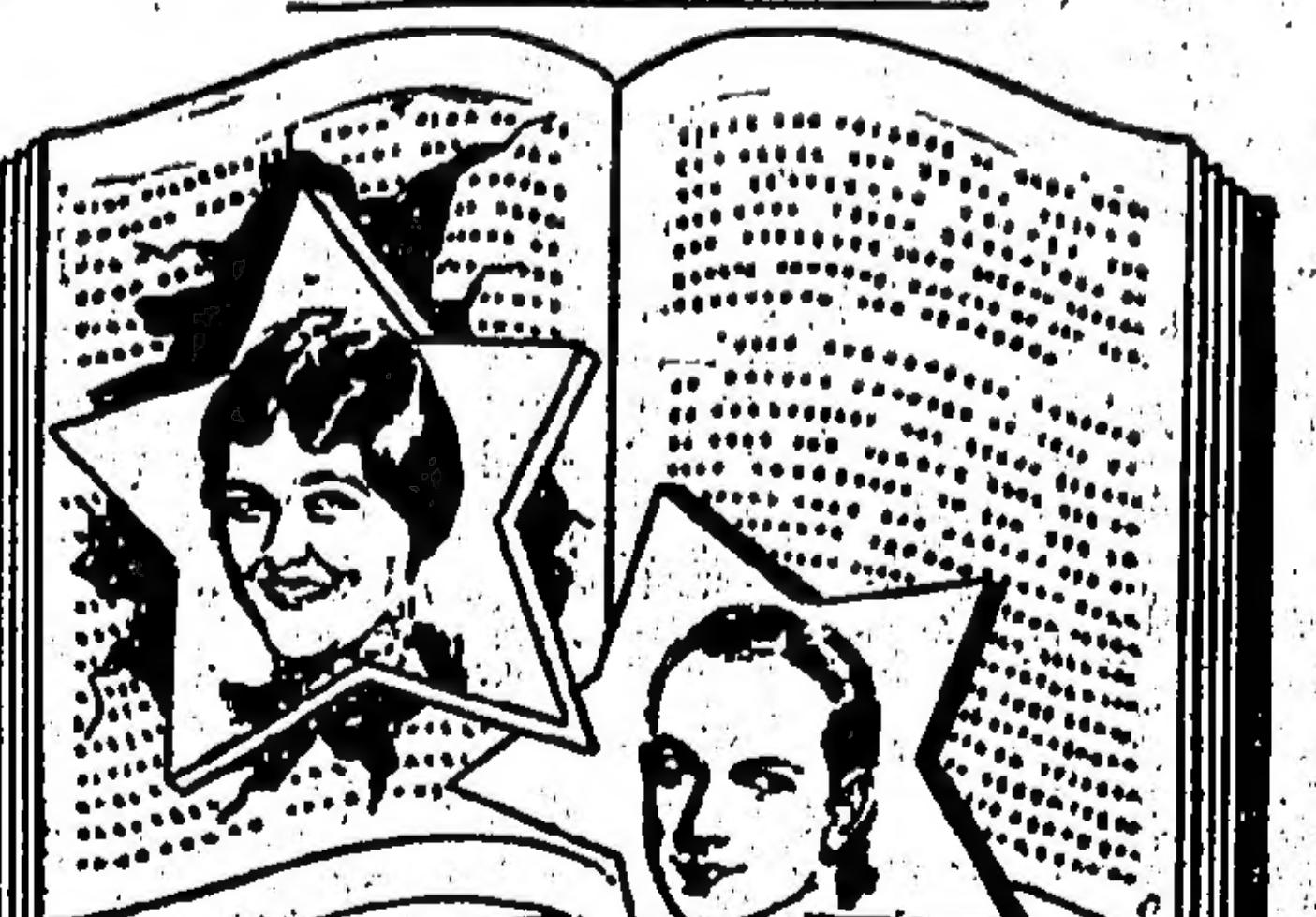
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